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WD Starts Sweeping Manpower Survey

The War Department announced Thursday that in view of the seriousness of the manpower problem facing the Nation it has instituted a sweeping survey of its manpower, both military and civilian, and is invoking measures to obtain the most effective and economical utilization of every job and every individual in the prosecution of the war.

The survey is being conducted by the War Department Manpower Board, which is extending and coordinating the work of similar boards which have effected manpower economies for the past several months in each of the War Department's commands—the Army Ground Forces, Army Air Forces and Army Service Forces. Members of the board are:

Maj. Gen. Lorenzo D. Gasser, former deputy chief of staff, president. Mr. James L. Madden, vice-president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Brig. Gen. Frank J. McSherry, former director of operations, War Manpower Commission, and former director of labor supply and training, War Production Board.

Col. Russel Skinner, Inspector General's Department.

Col. Hampton Anderson, former chief of staff, 27th Division.

In addition, it is planned that another outstanding civilian will be added to the board.

The board will operate directly under the Chief of Staff.

"We're pulling no punches on this job," General Gasser declared.

"If unnecessary work is being done, it will be discontinued. Where duplication exists, it will be stopped. If two men are doing the work of one, or ten are doing the work of nine on any task now required to be done, reductions will be made accordingly. Needless records and unnecessary paper work, both consuming time and materials, will be eliminated. Individual surveys of manpower employment have been conducted in

practically all of the separate units of the War Department. Where a unit has arrived at a particularly efficient method of obtaining the maximum efficiency in its use of manpower, the board will make recommendations for the adoption of that method by other units.

One of the primary objectives of the board is to secure the release of general service personnel for duty with combat units. Limited service personnel will be utilized only to replace general service personnel, or in such newly created activities as may be authorized.

Personnel of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps will be used to replace general or limited service personnel, or in such newly created activities as may be authorized. The WAACs will not be utilized to replace

civilian personnel.

Civilian employees will be used to replace general service, limited service or WAAC personnel whenever practicable. Civilian women will be utilized in preference to civilian men whenever possible, and civilian men who are employed will be over draft age or physically unfit for military service.

In the case of officers, those within the age-in-grade group for combat service will be relieved of non-combat duty whenever practicable. In some cases, however, certain age-in-grade officers are on specialists' jobs in the Army and may be of greater value in the capacity of specialists than as combat officers. In cases of this nature, the individual and the work he performs will be considered on their merits.

"Hap" Arnold Is Made A Four-Star General

President Roosevelt last week gave unprecedented recognition to the Army Air Forces by nominating its commander, Lt. Gen. H. H. Arnold, to the temporary rank of full general.

A short time later the Senate unanimously confirmed the promotion.

From the point of view of commanding rank, the action puts the air arm on an equal footing with the ground and naval forces.

Arnold, 56, becomes the first full general in the history of United States Army aviation. He also will be the fourth four-star general on active command duty. The others are Gen. George C. Marshall, Army chief of staff; Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, commander-in-chief of Allied forces in North Africa, and Gen. Douglas MacArthur, commander-in-

chief of Allied forces in the Southwest Pacific.

In addition, Gen. Malin Craig, former chief of staff, was recalled from retirement to serve as head of the War Department's personnel selection board. Gen. John J. Pershing holds the rank of general of the armies of the United States by Congressional act.

Arnold, known to the men in the ranks as "Hap" because of his perpetual grin, is one of the nation's pioneer aviators. He learned to fly with the Wright brothers in 1911 and has served in various branches of Army aviation since 1916.

Generally credited with building the Army Air Force to its present strength, was named chief of the Army Air Corps in September, 1938, and was named commander of the air forces just a year ago.



SEWING, 'unanimously voted by veteran soldiers as the toughest job in the Army, is a cinch for Aux. Mary C. Blake, above, a former Powers model now driving a peep at the home of America's tankmen, Fort Knox, Ky. Familiar to millions of magazine and billboard advertisement readers, Auxiliary Blake is now under contract with Uncle Sam's WAACs for the duration and six months.

—Photo by Signal Section, Hq. Armored Force

Armed Forces Institute Establishes Film Service For Off Duty Showings

More than 500 films are included in a Film Service established by the U. S. Armed Forces Institute to provide the field with information concerning available 16mm movies suitable for off-duty showings in recreation centers, service clubs, mess halls and other locations capable of being darkened and provided with a convenient power outlet.

The 1943 Film Catalog, Armed Forces Edition, containing the films that have been selected, may be obtained by writing to the Armed Forces Institute Film Service, Room 111, R.C.A. Building, 1250 Sixth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

The films include those classified as (1) The American Tradition (2) Military Geography (3) The War and (4) Films Related to Armed Forces Institute Courses.

The latter are more specialized films, including educational and vocational training subjects, selected to supplement instructional material provided in other phases of the Army educational program.

To overseas units, the Film Service is making available, in addition to programs of current Hollywood entertainment releases distributed overseas by the War Department, selected short subjects to increase soldiers' understanding of the history, institutions, peoples, customs, resources and terrain of the world at war.

These films are packaged in program units running approximately 45 minutes and are included in the regular weekly overseas entertainment film shipments. Armed Forces Institute film offerings may be readily identified by special markings.

The subject classification of the 16mm sound movies available to personnel of the U. S. Armed Forces for off-duty presentation follows:

1. The American Tradition. A. Industrial Technology and Science. B. American History. C. Sports and Recreations.

2. Military Geography. A. Canada and Alaska. B. Middle America. C. South America. D. Europe. E. Rus-

sia. F. Middle East. G. Africa. H. India. I. Far East. J. Australasia and Pacific Islands. K. United States.

3. The War. A. War History. B. Military and Naval Art. (Films produced by the War and Navy Departments) a. Aerial Combat and Flight. b. Bombs and Explosives. c. Chemical Warfare. d. Communications. e. Gunnery. f. Motorized Combat and Operation. g. Seamanship. h. Ships, Boats and Submarines.

4. Films Related to Armed Forces Institute Courses. A. Aeronautics. a. Aerology. b. Aircraft Armament. c. Construction. d. Identification. e. Operations. f. Theory. B. Biology. a. Botany. b. Zoology. C. Chemistry. D. Engineering. a. Electrical. b. Mechanical. E. Geology. F. History. G. Languages. H. Mathematics. I. Physics. J. Vocational Training. a. Machine Shop Practice. K. Occupations. L. Shipbuilding. M. Welding.

The catalog lists and describes the films which may be obtained for a nominal rental fee or service charge plus transportation costs.

The title, running time in minutes or reels, basic rental price, producer or basic distributor, and additional rental sources, if any, are included in the catalog.

Where films are available without rental fee, this information is also given in the catalog.

Further details of the Armed Forces Institute Film Service, including a partial list of the films that are available, will be published in the April 6 issue of ARMY TIMES.

Copies of the Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

23 Major Generals, 73 New Brigadiers

President Roosevelt Thursday nominated 96 officers for temporary promotions, 23 to be temporary major generals, 73 to be temporary brigadier generals.

Included were Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, commander of the 14th Air Force, in China; Brig. Gen. Clayton L. Bissell, commander of the 10th Air Force in India; Brig. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead, commander of the Allied Air Forces in New Guinea; and Brig. Gen. Clarence R. Huebner, director of the Training Division, Headquarters Army Service Forces.

The complete list follows:

To Be Major Generals (Temporary) Brigadier Generals Alan W. Jones, John B. Brooks, John T. Lewis, Elbridge G. Chapman Jr., Clarence R. Huebner, Eugene M. Landrum, Stephen G. Henry, George R. Meyer Glendon M. Barnes, Lloyd L. Chennault, Clayton L. Bissell, John B. Coulter, Thomas D. Finley, Ennis C. Whitehead.

Delmar H. Dunton, Everett S. Hughes, Horace L. McBride, Harry F. Hazlett, Herman F. Kramer, Willard S. Paul, William M. Milley.

To Be Brigadier Generals (Temp.)

Colonels Cornelius M. Daly, Theodore F. Weasola, Herbert T. Perrin, Ronald C. Brock, Elliot D. Cooke, Samuel T. Williams, Joseph V. DeP. Dillon, William G. Walker, Henry P. Perrine, Arthur R. Harris.

Claude M. Adams, Clare H. Armstrong, Pless B. Rogers, Clinton F. Robinson, James T. Duke, James M. Bevans, Loyal M. Haynes, John S. Bragdon, William A. Belderlinden, Russell B. Reynolds, Charles R. Doran, Richard C. Coupland.

William L. Richardson, William J. Donovan, Don G. Shingler, Charles F. Born, Clarence H. Danielson, William E. Crist, Herbert J. Lawes, James G. Christiansen, Thomas L. Holland, Edgar H. Underwood, Charles H. Barth, Jr., James H. Walker, Thomas B. Wilson, William C. Chase.

Constant L. Irwin, Alonzo P. Fox, Paul W. Kendall, Edward S. Greenbaum, William A. McCulloch, James G. Devine, Leon A. Fox, Sylvester D. Downs Jr., Adam Richmond, Joseph A. Holly, Lee S. Gerow, Elwyn D. Post, Paul L. Williams, Clarence L. Adcock, George A. Davis, Joseph A. Cranston, Gerald St. C. Mickie, Foster J. Tate.

Edwin Butcher, John L. Whitelaw, Joseph V. Phelps, Lauris Norstad, Leo J. Ahern, Beverly C. Dunn, Edward E. MacMorland, Norman T. Kirk, George J. Richards, Francis A. Woolley, George F. Lull, Miles A. Cowles, Stewart E. Reimel, William E. Bergin, Edmund W. Searby, Charles K. Nulsen, William E. Hall, James S. Simmons and Alexander N. Stark Jr.

.45 Ammo Made with Steel Now, Saving Tons of Brass

A newly developed method, which makes possible the substitution of steel for brass cases in caliber .45 ammunition, was announced by the War Department. The manufacturing process, perfected by the Evansville Ordnance Plant working in conjunction with the Army's Frankford Arsenal, advances the Army's program for conservation of critical materials another step. A change-over from brass to steel for all types of

fixed and semi-fixed artillery ammunition was completed the first of this year.

The saving in brass by the new process amounts to 1,774 pounds for each 100,000 rounds of ammunition. The new cartridges with steel cases have been tested and accepted by the using services. Large-scale production is already under way. All plants making caliber .45 ammunition will adopt the steel cartridge case.

Engineers to Be Trained At New Camp Abbot, Oregon

Camp Abbot, a new Engineer Replacement Training Center at Bend, Oregon, will be activated May 1, 1943.

The training cadre which provides the nucleus for the new training center consists of 1500 officers and men. It was activated Feb. 1, at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and will move to Camp Abbot when preliminary training is completed.

The first group of trainees to report at Camp Abbot will be the 51st Training Battalion, whose 12-week basic training course will begin on

May 31. Thereafter, new training battalions will arrive at the camp at two-week intervals.

Camp Abbot is named after Brig. Gen. Henry Larcom Abbott, a topographical engineer who was graduated from West Point in the Class of 1854. The year after his graduation, General Abbott helped to survey the route of the Pacific Railroad, in the vicinity of Bend, Ore.

The new camp's first commanding officer will be Col. Frank S. Besson, Corps of Engineers, now stationed at Fort Leonard Wood.

GI Pets

No. 5

Oscar AWOL, Tuffy, And Gideon Gremlin



"OSCAR AWOL," left, is mascot of one of the squadrons at Traux Field, Wis. He wears his new stripes on a blanket resplendent with Air Forces gold and blue. His sustenance is provided by contributions of the men every pay day.

A stranger pet is "Gideon Gremlin," above, a plastocene doll, which was chosen mascot by a group of Brooks Field Flying Cadets Gideons official duties are to pose for safety photos, showing that most accidents blamed on gremlins are actually the result of flying carelessness.

"Tuffy" is one of the live wildcat mascots of the 81st (Wildcat) Division. Here is shown at a mounted review as generals look on.

If He Rode Today

TRAVEL ORDER BY WHICH A HISTORIC MIDNIGHT RIDE MIGHT HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED

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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS,
APRIL 17, 1775.

SPECIAL ORDERS
NO. 1

EXTRACT

18715. In compliance with letter TAGO AG 342,88765 (4-16-75) April 18, 1775, Tech. Sgt. Paul Revere (1760003) 1st TEA PARTY SQUADRON, WP without delay, upon lantern signals from Signal Officer stationed at NORTH CHURCH TOWER—LEXINGTON—CONCORD, MASS., by route CHARLESTON—MEDFORD TOWN—LEXINGTON—CONCORD, on temporary duty as courier to warn civilian populace of sundry fifth columnists and invading forces. Upon completion of temporary duty Tech. Sgt. Revere will return to his proper station. Travel is authorized by private conveyance, and temporary change of station allowance as prescribed by par. 18374, AR 3906-97547 (as revised by WD Cir. 15, 44, 763, and 984670, 1775 is authorized. Family and other dependents will not accompany Tech. Sgt. Revere. It being impracticable for the government to furnish messing facilities en route during the period of temporary duty, the FD will pay in advance the monetary allowance in lieu of rations as prescribed in par. 18 m (9) (d), Table CVIII, AR 35436—19758, and WD Cir. 8243, 1775, for one (1) man for one-third (1/3) days at the rate of 6 shillings 3 pence per man per day for the journey from this station and return, and the detention allowance as prescribed in par. 1947, AR 34-187779, and WD Cir. 8675, 1775, for one (1) man for one (1) day at the rate of 1 shilling per man per day. TDN. FD 1401 P 9-93 A 5975-5.

By command of Chief Minuteman CIRDENT;

JOHN R. RULAY
Brevet Colonel, General Staff Corps,
Chief of Staff.

—from Yardbird Herald.

Army's Venereal Rate New Low In January

The Army's venereal disease rate in 1942 was 37.8 cases per 1,000 men, compared to a 1941 rate of 40.5 per 1,000, and in January of this year the rate was 25.2 per 1,000 men on an annual basis, compared to a January, 1942, rate of 45, the War Department announced.

Lt. Col. Thomas B. Turner, chief of the venereal disease control branch, Office of the Surgeon General, said that this steady decrease is due to an unremitting campaign conducted through four media. These are:

1. Cooperation of local, state and federal health and law enforcement authorities.
2. Expanded educational facilities.
3. The assignment of venereal disease control officers on a full-time basis to the headquarters of the larger tactical units and to stations where the complement is 20,000 or more, and the designation of part-time venereal disease control officers for all other camps, post and stations.
4. Prophylactic facilities.

The 1942 rate includes a syphilis rate of 5.9 per 1,000 and a gonorrhea rate of 29.7. The lowest venereal disease rate in the history of the Army was in 1939, when it totaled 29.6 per 1,000.

The following table reveals the venereal disease rate per 1,000 men per year since 1938:

	All Venereal Diseases	Syphilis	Gon.
1938	30.6	7.9	19.6
1939	29.6	6.6	20.2
1940	42.5	7.3	30.6
1941	40.5	5.7	31.4
1942	37.8	5.9	29.7

The rates are based on venereal diseases contracted after entry into the Army. On October 1, 1942, the Army began accepting men with uncomplicated gonorrhea. All such cases are quarantined for treatment prior to assignment to units and are not reflected in the venereal disease rate of the Army.

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Poet Visions Seatless Pants

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Bard of Co. D, 63rd Bn., MRTC, is Pfc. Keegan Townsend, an acting drill corporal who can make his "hup, turp, threep, fup" rhyme with anything in the books.

Fort Devins Men Organize Masons

FORT DEVENS, Mass.—The Fort Devens Square Club, composed of master masons, has been organized here, its membership being made up of officers and enlisted men of the post.

Only two weeks old the organization numbers 55 officers and enlisted men representing 19 states. Temporary officers are, Chaplain, Bradley J. Folsensbee (major) of the Lovell general hospital, president; Sgt. Irvey Yale Brainson of Headquarters Co. SCSU 1111, vice president, and Sgt. Ralph L. Griffith Jr., of Lovell general hospital, secretary.

A "roughneck" with an oil company before entering the Army, the 21-year-old Townsend has been writing verse since he was 10 years old. When, at that tender age, he had some poems published in a children's corner column in the Denver Post. Since that time, Townsend figures he has penned some 1,200 poems, one of which appeared in Colliers.

"I'll say he writes poetry," his first sergeant growled. "When he gets through with a turn as charge of quarters he leaves hundreds of 'em on the desk!"

Here is a sample of Townsend's art, titled "The Pantings of a Man": "The cut upon men's suits is tough; My pants are now without the cuff. The future I can now foresee— My trouser trimmed off at the

knee. Don't be surprised if you should meet This gent in pants without the seat; And by the time the Axis fall I'll likely have no pants at all!"

Religious Emphasis Week at Camp Butner

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—April 4-9 at Camp Butner has been designated as religious emphasis week under the sponsorship of Chaplain Lars G. C. Pedersen, post chaplain; the general commission on Army and Navy chaplains; and the department of evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

These programs are a series of religious meetings conducted in Army camps and were begun last year at Fort Meade, Md., with the approval of the Chief of Chaplains.

Fisherman Give Way to Army

CAMP POLK, La.—Fullerton Lake, 20 miles northeast of here, has gone to war!

A fisherman's paradise in peacetime days, it now furnishes, along with its old abandoned sawmill, an excellent locale for the training tactics now being conducted by the Eleventh Armored Division's 56th Engineer Battalion.

Fish have taken to new hideouts and cows, pigs and other animals

in the neighboring countryside have moved to safer spots in the "blitz-bivouac" of the battalion's "E" Bridge Company and its equipment.

Cranes, powerboats, pontons and saddles, treadways, assault boats and auxiliary equipment are just a few of the paraphernalia that now dot the former placid lake and shore line.

Army specialists and soldiers in this unit have spanned the lake in

short time with a ponton bridge constructed with the Eleventh Armored Division's quickly assembled floating equipment. Training since summer, the Bridge Company, its job now reduced to technique, is teaching the whole battalion to overcome all water obstacles.

Under combat conditions, Engineers have demonstrated the effective use of explosives in demolition work, using bangalore torpedoes to blow large sections of double apron fences to clear the way for the Division's armored tanks and cars.

Lt. Col. Kenneth E. Fields, engineer commanding officer, has trained his men in the calculation, placing and execution of charges which demolish walls, shatter foundations and can topple a five story concrete structure.

Good Material In Sixth

SIXTH ARMORED DIVISION—How many officers were there in the Sixth Armored Division upon activation a little more than a year ago?

More than met the eye, according to figures compiled by the Adjutant General's section.

The Super Sixth not only soon received its complement of officers, but out of the enlisted men's ranks, 1,383 potential officers have been sent to 17 Officer Candidate Schools throughout the country during the one year of existence.

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Dogs Enjoy Army Training Life

Arctic Transportation Problems Are Solved with Sledge-Pack Dogs

RIMINI, Mont.—Some three miles from the old ghost mining town of Rimini, Mont., sledge and pack dogs are being trained to serve the Army in northern climates. Rimini, devoted to this type of dogs, is one of several depots conducted by the Remount Division, Quartermaster Corps, for the training of war dogs.

Strong dogs of the North are an important adjunct to ski troops and are being increasingly used for transport. Neither the airplane nor any other form of transportation can entirely supplant the sledge dog on his own ground.

At Rimini, Huskies, Malemutes, and cross-breeds are being schooled as sledge dog teams for the transportation of munitions and supplies. Large dogs as St. Bernards, Newfoundlanders, and Great Pyrenees are trained to pack supplies on their backs or draw them in small carts or sleds.

Trainers and handlers are housed in a former CCC camp. Nearby are individual kennels for some 70 dogs, each animal being furnished a bed filled with straw and his own food and water pans. A yard, or exercise run, can be reached through a small doorway in each kennel.

On reporting for duty at Rimini, a dog recruit is first taken to a reception kennel where he is weighed, measured, and examined by a veterinarian. A service record is made out for each and follows him through his service career in much the same manner that a soldier's does. Many of the dogs come from warmer climates where they have been kept as pets. They celebrate their entry into the Army by diving into snow banks, gulping mouthfuls of snow and rolling and romping in great delight.

Many, naturally resistant to cold, prefer to sleep outside their kennels, in zero weather. Curling their bushy tails around to protect their faces, they sleep burrowed deep beneath the snow.

Cyclist Saved Lieutenant To Rescue

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—The rushing waters of rain-swollen Little West Creek again gave rise to a rescue of heroic proportions at Camp Campbell when a motorcyclist and his vehicle, while attempting to cross a submerged ford, were suddenly plunged into the deep water.

Lt. James D. Curry, Company D, 965th engineer general service Regiment, who was crossing the log bridge 100 yards upstream from the scene of the accident, heard the man's cries for help.

Plunging into the swift waters, Lieutenant Curry fought the strong down-stream current to the side of the struggling man and brought him to safety.

The sunken motorcycle was recovered later by the men of Company D.

If the sledge dog has not been driven in a team before, he may be started out pulling a small light sled—a task he quickly learns and enjoys. Later he will go out with other dogs in a team and finally may be given the responsible position of leader or wheeler.

As a general rule the dogs learn fast but it takes time to toughen up the feet, develop strength, and acquire the knack of pulling efficiently with other dogs. Teams are trained to pull both the Yukon sled, which has twin wooden runners shod with steel, and the Mackenzie River toboggan, which has a bow almost two feet high but is somewhat narrower. Pack dogs begin with light packs, gradually increased until they weigh up to 40 pounds. They are taught to follow their trainers and handlers.

Dogs can climb or pull over bad ice where no other animal can go. Under some conditions they can haul almost twice as much as a horse and can go longer without food—four or five days. They resist cold weather better. Horses in their thick winter coats sweat and may catch pneumonia; dogs do not sweat but cool off by panting.

Their coats are impervious to the heaviest rains. Their endurance under extreme exhaustion and their strength are almost incredible. A team has hauled 800 pounds. A fast, steady trot of six to eight miles per hour is their usual gait; they can gallop better than 20. Once taught a command they never forget it, nor any route once traveled. When being driven through towns, clever lead dogs stop at signal lights on their own accord.

In the World War I, 1000 sledge dogs saw active service in the Vosges



HIS NAME is Mike and he is joining the WOOFs. But Mike has to be processed like all the other dogfaces. After his right front leg has been sheared, Capt. Ernest D. Barrows, station veterinarian at Ellington Field, Tex., takes a blood specimen as Dr. D. C. Frederick, Houston (Tex.) veterinarian, looks on. Mike also will get a "dog tag," only his will be a brand mark inside his ear.

Mountains and the French Alps. On the latter front, a kennel of 150 moved more than 50 tons of supplies in four days from a valley to the fighting line in the heights. In this war, the Germans have reported raids by Russians, firing machine guns from sledges drawn by dog teams.

Preceding the present training depot for sledge dogs, Army personnel had made successful experiments with Huskies at Chilkoot Barracks as pack dogs for machine gun units. The first experimental pack was made out of a little wood, salvaged scraps of shelter tents and blankets, an old belt, a strap from a baseball

chest protector, and a few other items—and it worked. Recently the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, authorized the use of a sledge dog team at the Mountain Training Center, Camp Hale, Colo., on the application of a private who had owned and driven the team in civilian life.

Sea-dogs—1943 Version Navigation Courses For Anti-Aircraft

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Anti-aircraft soldiers may become as sextant-conscious as the saltiest of Cape Cod sea-dogs with the introduction of navigation courses to picked units of the Anti-aircraft Artillery Training Center by Capt. Ben A. Lentz, assistant to the director of training and operations, Engineer Amphibian command.

Because of the global aspects of World War II and the possibility that units in training at Camp Edwards may have to fight the Axis in many parts of the world, celestial and dead-reckoning navigation has been introduced as a course of instruction for officers and enlisted personnel of the AAATC.

First unit to receive instructions in making position reckonings by means of the age-old method of sighting the sun, moon or stars, is the 474th Coast Artillery (AA) Battalion under the supervision of the commanding officer, Lt. Col. Roger

W. Moore.

Need for celestial navigation for mobile anti-aircraft units became evident when the African campaign opened, Colonel Moore and Captain Lentz announced.

Shades of Old Daniel Boone

FORT BENNING, Ga.—What is believed to be a new world's record for firing the Browning Automatic Rifle has been set at the Infantry School by soft-drawling Sgt. Grafton King, who made a score of 206 out of a possible 210, breaking his own record.

Sergeant Grafton, a backwoodsman whose home is "about a bear's grease" from Somerville, Ala., claims to be able to "hit a Jap from 400 yards right whar the galluses cross."

Puts Talent to Work in Hospital

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—The Army builds its strength on young men, but Cpl. John Berran is showing the Army how a graying old man—a man over 40 with a son in the service—can do his part in the war effort.

It all started with fun-loving John Berran wishing he could be an actor or entertainer. His many years as

a conductor on a Boston trolley line didn't furnish him a great opportunity to develop this talent, but he did what he could to brighten the day for his passengers, who even nicknamed him "The Mayor of Boston."

Seven months ago, after seeing his son complete his college education, John Berran decided to take on a

bigger assignment—the Army and its men. He was eligible for deferment, but John Berran is Irish. He was assigned to a hospital unit training at Fort Bragg—but let a patient in one of Fort Bragg's hospitals finish the story:

"He cheers up the ward and keeps the spirits of the men on a constant wave of hope. His clever renditions of such old favorites as 'Casey At The Bat' and monologues on rural characters makes pain fade. He makes being sick a pleasure and is showing the younger soldiers the meaning of total unselfishness."

Camp Hood Anti-Talk Slogan Makes Hit With Whole Army

CAMP HOOD, Tex.—Plan of Camp Hood Panther editors to place the slogan, "If You Talk Too Much This Man May Die" above and below a mirror in each barracks in Army camps throughout the nation, is meeting with widespread approval.

The U. S. Navy's famed North Island base at San Diego, Calif., has adopted the plan. Capt. E. L. Gunther, Commandant of the Island, ordered the signs printed and placed around every mirror on the huge island.

Camp Stoneman, Calif., a port of embarkation, adopted the plan,

placing the placards in the latrines of each barracks.

Camp Grant, Ill., adopted the idea, as did Camp Bowie, Tex., according to word received by Panther editors.

The campaign was originated when editors conceived the idea of utilizing the OWI slogan familiar to servicemen on posters bearing a picture of a sailor, around a mirror to bring the "don't talk" idea directly home to each man looking in the mirror.

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Soldier Editorial



"Mission Accomplished"

This is a picture of two girls.

It does not matter where this picture was taken. It might have been in France, in England, in Russia, or in Norway. It might, some day, be taken in Ohio, or Michigan, or Texas. Actually, the photograph was made after a Nazi raid on a farming community in Central Europe.

Nor are the subjects in the picture particularly striking, or dramatic, or important. These are not high public officials, or people whose names appear in the headlines. These are little people, poor, unknown, unwanted.

These are the kind of people that Adolf Hitler has sworn to liquidate. These are the kind of little people, be they Polish, or English, or Russian, or American who will be starved and tortured and persecuted if the Axis wins the war.

And this little girl, looking in horror on the dead face of her sister, knows from bitter personal experience that the destruction of her family, and her home, and her country, is the mission of the German Reich.

There are those who will contend that this is merely another "atrocity picture," and therefore not to be considered seriously.

This is not an atrocity story. This is the most important and the most vital and the most serious challenge that man has ever faced, anytime, anywhere, in all history.

No, the picture of these two peasant girls is not an atrocity. Adolf Hitler is an atrocity. Benito Mussolini is an atrocity. Hirohito is an atrocity. All of them, and all of the rotten fascist rats around them, are atrocities.

The whole National Socialist system of persecution, of brutality, of hate—these are atrocities against all mankind.

All of us, whether we are buck privates on kitchen detail, or corporals, or sergeants, or command pilots with eagles on our shoulders, all of us called to give the last ounce that is in us, to stick to the job, however trying or however difficult, until victory.

And when the last of the Axis leaders are routed out of their hiding places with bayonets, when the flags of the United Nations fly over Tokyo, and when American troops are marching down the Wilhelmstrasse, then, and then only, can each of us, in his own way, raise his eyes to God, snap to a salute, and say—

"Sir, Mission Accomplished!"

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Company Has Three CO's in One Day

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Company commanders were as changeable as a woman's mind in Co. D, 62nd Med. Tng. Bn. last Friday. They had three of 'em during the day.

It all began when, early Friday morning, 1st Lt. Robert M. Ballard, regular company commander, received orders transferring him to Camp Shelby, Miss. 1st Lt. Morton A. Weissman stepped into the breach. But at noon, the new company commander received orders to report to camouflage school at Fort Belvoir, Va. The third company commander of the day, 2nd Lt. Miller S. Makey, then took over—and was still commanding according to latest reports.

He Eats Fire—In Ten Easy Lessons

FORT RILEY, Kans.—Would you like to be a fire eater—would you like to swallow swords—Then send 25 cents, the booklet will tell you how—Believe it or not it can be done—so says Pvt. Miles O. Moore, the human flame thrower, fire eater, and sword swallower of Company G, 29th Battalion, MPRTC. He claims that's the way he learned his unusual tricks.

It all began more than five years ago. Moore had seen various fire eaters perform several times and thought it would be an interesting hobby.

"Of course it was kind of awk-

ward without a tutor. At first I did scorch myself a couple of times with the fire act and as far as the swords are concerned, I don't swallow very big ones. The largest swords I swallow are about 18 inches," says Private Moore. "There's no trick to it or to fire eating either, it's just a matter of practice, being careful and not being afraid."

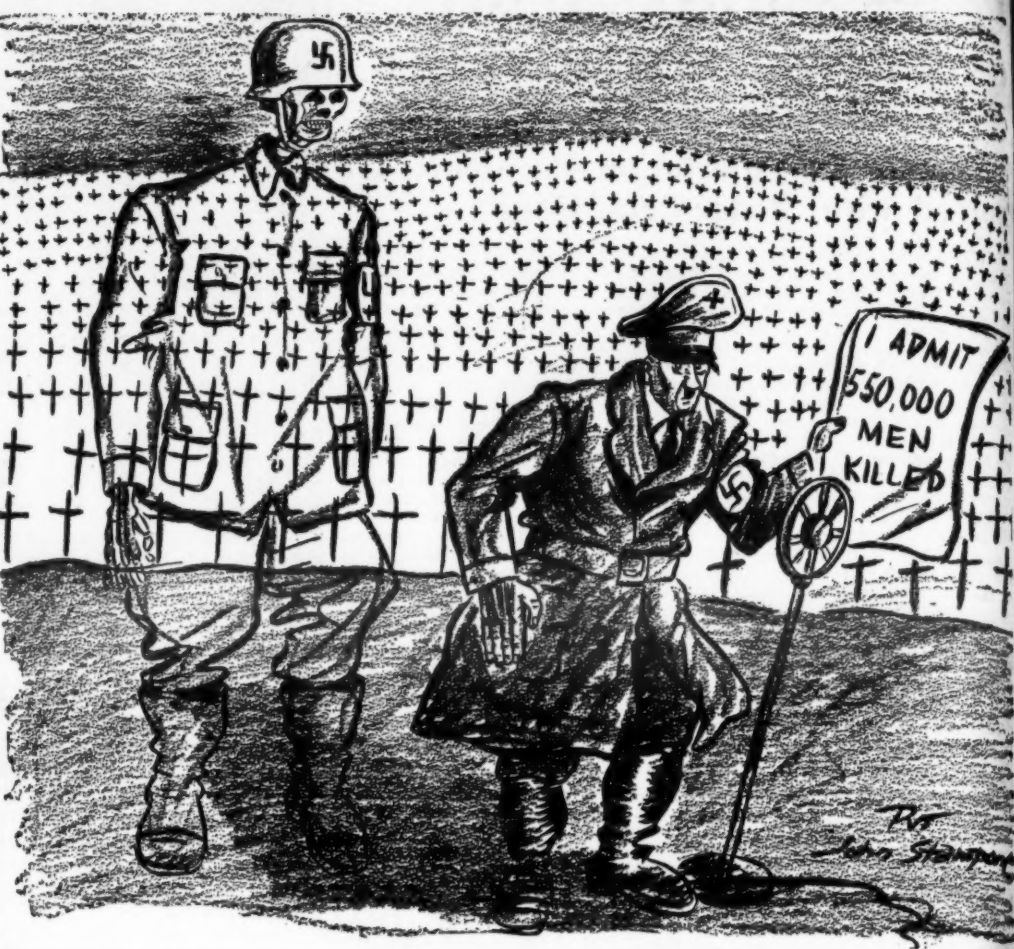
Moore has done some amateur club work around his home town, Meadville, Pa. He says he wasn't interested in doing it professionally, although his fire and sword act has all the earmarks of a professional. Right now Moore is working to be

a good MP and in his spare moments he has found time to appear on some of the MPRTC variety programs, where he always makes a hit.

One wonders if, sometime, overseas, when the bayonets fly too fast maybe Moore will remember the teachings of the booklet—and just swallow them.

IN JANUARY and February of this year, America produced twice as many machine guns and submachine guns as there were machine guns produced in all of World War I.

Better Count Us Again Adolph!



This Means You, Soldier!

Rules for Preventing and Treating Immersion Foot

If you find yourself bouncing around in a little rubber boat some place in the ocean thanks to one of the Axis tin fish, there are three simple rules for the prevention of immersion foot which you must follow—otherwise you may lose those size 11 dogs.

Three Royal Canadian naval medi-

cal officers, Surg. Cdr. D. R. Webster, Surg. Lt. F. M. Woolhouse, and Surg. Lt. J. L. Johnston, perturbed by the number of amputations necessary after men were rescued after long exposure at sea set down the rules for the prevention of the immersion foot condition.

The rules are: 1. cover legs and

arms with a thick coating of grease; 2. remove any constricting clothing such as tight boots which won't be warm as the feet are in water anyway; 3. exercise the feet as much as possible to maintain circulation.

The three naval officers tested their theories on 150 survivors of torpedoed vessels. Seven required amputation in comparison with one rescued group which demanded almost 100 per cent amputation.

Don't rub the feet or apply hot water bottles. Many immersion victims are given the wrong first aid.

First aid rules are simple. 1. Keep the patient dry and warm except for his feet. 2. Lightly dust wounds, cuts or sores with sulfanilamide. 3. Wrap the legs in some soft, clean material and elevate upon pillows. 4. Leave further treatment for a doctor. Do not let the patient stand or walk and don't put anything on his feet except the sulfanilamide.

Medical treatment for the survivor is a process demanding a great deal of time. The treatment includes keeping the feet cold and dry and slowly bringing the affected parts back to normal temperatures. Any other treatment usually results in gangrene and the amputation to save the victim's life.

LETTERS

Not New, He Says

Gentlemen:
In your story headlined "The Gadget Figures Food Rations," in the ARMY TIMES dated January 30, 1943, written by Sgt. D. W. Stewart, with a date-line from Camp Breckenridge, Ky., we here in North Western Africa are led to believe that it was intended to transmit to the Army specifically and the public in general that the break-down board which T. Sgt. Raymond V. Beeler "invented" was something entirely new when such is not the case. There are several men here with me now who have used a break-down board for over a year or more. Each supply point has man boards improvised by the individuals for their own personal use. The first time the undersigned ever used a break-down board was in 1932. However, I do admit that a T-square rigged up with the board would be of great help to use here, if such an article were obtainable.

Yours truly,
M/Sgt. Felix Price

Hq. A.B.S. APO 752.

War Words

Where'd They Come From?

Soviet

This word (Russian *soviet*) was first used for a "committee" or "council" in Russia in 1905 but did not become common until the Revolution of 1917 when the two forms of governing bodies—village *soviets* and town *soviets*—took control over local matters in the new order of things. These *soviets* were councils or groups of representatives of the people organized by the workmen, soldiers and peasants; the *soviets* of the smaller units elected their deputies to serve on those of larger districts and in like manner until the highest governmental body of all was formed, known as the Union Congress of Soviets. Hence, in 1923, arose the official name of the state of the Russian people—the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics—frequently abbreviated to U.S.S.R. Accordingly in English the soldiers of the Union have come to be known either as "Soviets" or "Reds"—the latter because red is the color of revolution and because it was from the first applied to the revolutionary socialism of Russia in 1917.

Nazi

Nazi, pronounced *naht-see, naz-ee*, as it is sometimes heard over the radio, is a word scarcely 10 years old. It can be definitely dated as the short form commonly used for a member of Hitler's *Nationalsozialistische Partei* (National Socialist Party) that came into power in 1933. The Z-sound carried over into the English abbreviation arises from the German pronunciation *ts* for *t* before unaccented *i* in words (*National*) derived from the Latin. The German language differs from its cousin, the English, in that it has not borrowed to so large an extent from the Latin; it has, however, taken over a few in certain classes, as those dealing with government or law, (*National, Kaiser, Jurist, Staat*). The original Latin word *nasci*, "nation, race," has far more related forms in French and English—words from the root of Latin *nasci* "to be born" (compare English *natal, native, cognate*, etc.). Another recent German shortened form, similar to *Nazi* is *Stuka*—simply *Sturz* "plunge, sudden fall," and *Kampf* "fight, battle"—or in English, "dive bomber."

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Minature Airplanes Attain Speeds of 90 to 120 MPH

"They fly through the air with the greatest of ease." That describes, in part, the miniature airplanes constructed by three members of the MRTC art department in their off-duty moments.

It was Cpl. Alex Gease, one of the artists in MRTC, who introduced the interesting hobby of building miniature planes that can fly as fast as 120 miles an hour, powered by their own tiny engine, to other members of the art department. Now S/Sgt. Fred Oakland, and T/4 Lee Le Goulon have built flying models and are confirmed miniature airplane addicts.

Not only is the hobby interesting to the trio of artists, but it has enveloped a multitude of fans in headquarters detachment, who flock to the "test flights" of the planes. Sgt. Oakland gets perhaps the biggest kick out of it because he is actually an aviator. Oakland now holds a pilot's license and has had 120 hours

in the air—his eyesight kept him out of the Air Corps—so he is right at home putting his "Super 'G' Tiger," as it is called, through its paces.

Oakland figures it took him about six weeks, working nights in his spare time, to assemble his plane from a kit. Oakland's plane has a wing spread of 2 feet, is 24 inches long, and powered by an Ohlsson "60" engine, which develops 1-5 horsepower and will drive the plane from 90 to 120 miles per hour. That sounds like a lot of speed for a tiny plane, but any of the spectators who have been present at the test-flights, which usually take place during lunch-hour or on Sunday afternoons, in the area adjacent to the art department building, will readily agree with the figures.

The plane is operated practically the same as the real thing. Fueled with a mixture of white gasoline

and oil, the plane gets its juice from two tiny batteries tucked away in the fuselage—and the engine is started by spinning the "prop."

The method of controlling the plane is unique. Attached to the plane is a "G-Line" (guide line) which is from 60 to 75 feet in length, and two strings attached to the elevators on the plane. All these are fastened to a stick on the other end of the line. The pilot grasps the stick, his assistants start up the plane and she roars along the ground. The pilot tugs at one of the strings and the plane takes off and soars into the air. The plane will then fly in a huge circle around the pilot, and he can make it dive, zoom, or even loop, by manipulating the "G-Strings." The miniature will operate for several minutes on one fueling, and is then brought down to a smooth landing. While in flight, the plane's engine snarls in realistic fashion—just like a million army boats—and spectators instinctively duck when the plane roars towards them.

Cpl. Gease, who is a veteran at the business, having followed it as a hobby in civilian life, is now completing a flying model with a 36-inch wing spread, which will shortly be seen in a test flight.

In addition to the flying models, there are two members of the art department who make a specialty out of stationary models. T/4 Jack O'Rourke is completing a scale model of a Stuka Dive bomber, which will be complete even to a sliding seat for the gunner, and all interior fittings. The model is 1/16 the size of the original plane. T/4 William Mose is well-versed in the art of designing miniature stationary models. Before he entered the army, some of his plans for a plane vastly different in design from the usual were submitted to Washington, D. C. for consideration.



S/SGT. FRED OAKLAND
It's a hobby.

French Will Cooperate, General Kibler Reports

CAMP BUTNER, N. C. — The French in West Africa can be depended upon to co-operate with the United States and its Allies in expediting supplies and aid to forces in the African theater of war, Brig. Gen. A. Franklin Kibler, commanding officer of the 78th Infantry Division's Field Artillery units, assured "Lighting" Division officers in an address discussing problems confronting our fighting forces in North Africa.

Just returned from a three-month, 18,000 mile trip by air as the senior War Department member of a special U. S. Military mission to French West Africa, General Kibler speaks with authority.

"Purpose of the mission was to make arrangements necessary for the co-operation of French West

Africa in getting airplanes and air borne supplies to theaters of war and in other combined operations for the success of the common war effort," General Kibler said. "We found the French very co-operative, and the success of the mission has been assured by recent developments."

Morale among French forces is steadily rising and men now over there are anxious for battle with the Nazis.

"It was largely through the efforts of the mission that the French battleship 'Richelieu,' and other French naval vessels, were sent to the United States for repairs before joining naval forces of the Allied Nations," General Kibler said. "In fact, we had lunch on the damaged 'Richelieu' . . . a few days before it sailed for the United States."

3 Brothers, All Majors, Together at Campbell

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—It's a small world when Uncle Sam takes a hand and assigns three of his commissioned nephews, all brothers, to one Army post, drawing all three of them from different service commands.

And when all three brothers hold the rank of major, each doing widely separated jobs in the war organization, that is proud American news.

The brothers Hufford have come to this post within the past three months.

First to arrive was Maj. Edwin W. Hufford to serve as Special Service officer with the 12th Armored Division. Next came Maj. Fletcher N. Hufford, assistant director of the Personnel Division.

Maj. Francis G. Hufford joined his brothers here in February to serve as adjutant of an armored regiment. A brother by adoption, Maj. Wal-

don Jones, is stationed at Pearl Harbor. The three Majors Hufford, with two older brothers, Raymond C. and Gayle N., also served in World War I.

February Sugar Reports Increase

An increase of 83 per cent in the volume of V-Mail for the month of February over January was announced by the War Department.

For the short 28-day month of February there were dispatched 5,990,570 microfilmed V-Mail letters as against 3,281,504 during the month of January. Complete V-Mail equipment will be in operation in the North African theater during the early part of April. Meantime V-Mail letters to and from American soldiers in that area are being dispatched and received in their original form.

Cadet System To Be Used In Training

The "cadet system" will be put into operation in the Army's specialized training program in American colleges, the War Department announced. Following the system in effect in officer candidate schools, trainees are to be organized into companies, battalions and regiments, the companies to consist of approximately 250 men.

Within the units the men will be platoon sergeants, platoon leaders, and officers. Each man will keep a position long enough to familiarize himself thoroughly with the duties involved, but the jobs will be rotated often enough to allow the maximum number of men to develop the qualities of leadership necessary in positions of responsibility.

No additional pay or allowances will be given the men by virtue of any of these appointments, but they will be accorded the same obedience and respect in the performance of their duties as would be due them if they were permanently appointed to the grade in which they are acting.

Since some of the duties normally associated with officers would seriously hamper the training of the men in the Army's specialized training program, the Commandant at each school will determine which of the duties will be performed by the acting personnel and which will be performed by the permanent staff of officers and non-commissioned officers.

Barkeley Insurance Sales Zoom Upward

CAMP BAKELEY, Tex.—Purchase of government life insurance among officers and enlisted men in the Medical Replacement Training Center was boosted 63 per cent in February over the previous month, according to figures released by Brig. Gen. Roy C. Hefebower, commandant. Maturity value of life insurance in MRTC is now \$109,165,000 for officers and enlisted men as compared with \$67,155,000 on Jan. 11.

Army Makes Certain WAACs In the Pink---on Records

FORT KNOX, Ky.—WAAC service records are in the pink!

In tune with its accent on femininity the War Department has designed the service records and most allied papers of the women's army with gay coral-colored borders, while the familiar white forms have been dipped in pink dye.

Aux. Ruth M. LeRoy, clerk in the 38th WAAC unit recently organized here, says that most Army forms are the same as they had been previous to the birth of the WAAC, but she has noticed that the classification card has suffered some changes: the women's classification form omits "Qualification in Firearms" and a space for "Maiden Name" has been

added. Their classification card also includes a "Location Desired" space, a request foreign to regular Army data.

Only one form has undergone a complete transformation, Auxiliary LeRoy adds—"the clothing record."

Parker Becomes Acting CO of XII Army Corps

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Maj. Gen. Edwin P. Parker, Jr., commanding general of the 78th Infantry Division, has taken over duties as acting commander of the XII Army Corps.

General Parker will not relinquish command of the "Lightning Division."

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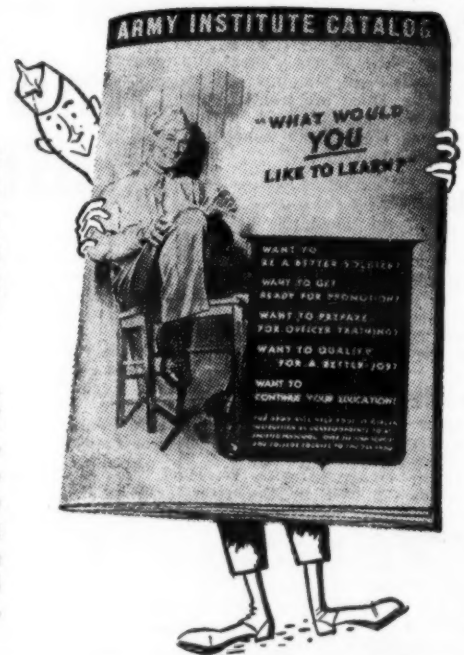
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New Kinks

Recent Ideas That Help Us Win the War

Ideas win wars. This column is a collection of miscellaneous ideas and inventions that are bringing us to victory. Some are important, some aren't. But they all are worth while.

Snake Bite Kit

The snake bite kit used extensively by the Army Medical Corps now contains a plastic suction pump to remove venom from wounds. Plastic is said to be an improvement over the original aluminum pump which was easily bent. The kit also includes tourniquet, bandages, iodine and ammonia capsules carried in a dustproof, water-tight plastic case.

Protects Engines

Transparent packaging material originally developed for food containers now protects airplane engines. A bag is slipped over the engine, air within is removed by suction and the bag heat-sealed. This prevents rusting during shipping and storage and also saves 50 to 75 man-hours ordinarily needed to grease and degrease an engine.

Idea Seekers

Every private in one company of the 5th QM Training Regiment at Fort Warren, Wyo., gets a chance to express his ideas on how the company can be improved. On a chart in the orderly room is written the name of the private who submitted the "Idea of the Day."

Ack-Acks

A new mechanical fuse for anti-aircraft shells was given credit this week in England for increasing the accuracy of ack-ack gunners by eight times. It was said that British anti-aircraft gunners are now shooting down eight enemy planes with the same number of shots required to down one Nazi in the autumn of 1940. It was also said the new fuse has increased by half again the height at which shells can be made to burst accurately.

No Hot Feet

New asbestos soles prevent recent allied bombing raids from giving German fire fighters a hot foot, according to a report reaching this country. Fine asbestos strands are interwoven into sheets. Then the footwear soles are stamped out in various sizes. These are treated with chemicals and hardened. It is said the asbestos soles wear almost as well as leather.

Welcome

Instead of the usual pile of linen and blankets, a neatly-made bed greets new arrivals at one of the training companies at Camp Charles Wood, N. J. Plus this, each basic trainee receives a box of ice cream with the compliments of the older men of the company.

Less Shell Shock

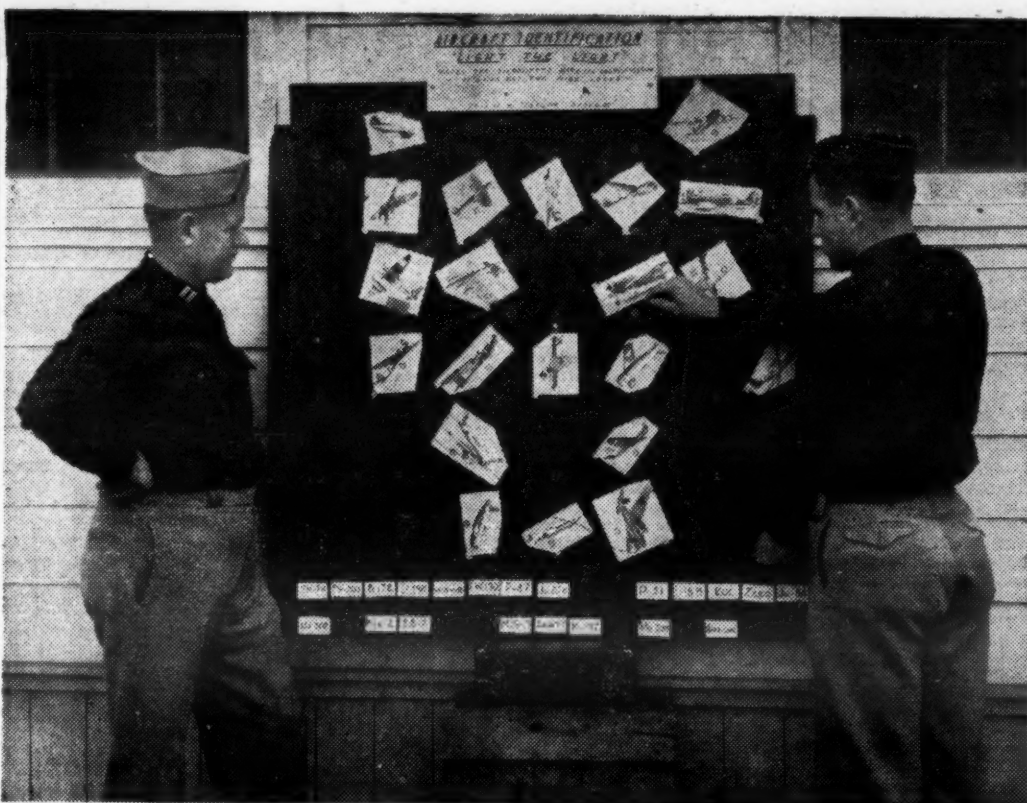
The new blitz warfare, with its speed and mobility, is cutting down on the number of mental casualties in this war compared with World War I, says Col. William C. Porter, director of the School for Military Neuropsychiatry at Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Ga. Men bogged down with "shell-shock" in the trenches of the last war, Colonel Porter said, whereas their pride in being able to "take it" and the ever-present opportunity to take a crack at the enemy relieves their mental strain to a large extent in this one.

Japs Tricked

The Chinese have developed a trick which has meant death for a lot of Japs. First our wily allies dig a shallow trench, then they go out ahead of it and dig foxholes. But instead of taking the loose dirt from their foxholes to build abutments around them, they put up earthworks around the trench. Then they get down in the foxholes and camouflage themselves. The Japs spot the trench from the air and plaster it with bombs. The enemy infantry attack the empty trench in force passing right over the Chinese in their foxholes. When the Japs come to the empty trench they start milling around trying to figure out what's up. The Chinese pop out of their foxholes and let them know.

Underwater Bridge

When the Russians had to build a bridge right under the noses of the Germans, they worried unless the Nazis would spot it and bomb it be-



TEACHING identification of planes the easy way is this game devised by Capt. Arthur G. Taylor, Morris Field, N. C. The idea is to match the name of the plane with its picture. A light flashes on, if you get it right. Captain Taylor is on the left.

fore their tanks could cross the stream. So the Red engineers built the bridge under water at night. The first thing the Germans knew about it was when they saw Russian tanks apparently floating across the water to attack them.

Crosses for Gabby GI's

Decorations for guys who insist on blabbing military secrets is the inspiration of officers at Fort Clark, Tex. Each soldier going on furlough is handed three or four Maltese crosses made on paper. If he hears another soldier who is spilling secrets over a drink, he hands him a cross. By the time the gossip has read the citation on the cross, the guy who handed it to him has had a chance to get out of harm's way—if he wants. The citation reads: "Presented for voluntarily exposing information beneficial to the Axis. Keep your mouth shut. Safeguard the lives of others by keeping quiet."

Radio Static Eliminated

Small Gadget Gives Clear Radio Reception in Plane

COCHRAN FIELD, Ga.—A little home-made gadget, the brainchild of two Cochran Field medical officers may prove to be a boon to aviation, if tests made thus far are any indication. The device is a small plastic fashioned much like a wooden golf tee and consists of a diaphragm and and plug, the function of which is to act as a transmitter in bringing radio signals and instructions in with greater clarity than usual.

The idea which brought it into being was the inspiration of Maj. Carl M. Harwell Jr., former flight surgeon at Cochran Field and Capt. James V. Stewart, chief of the eye, ear, nose and throat clinic at the post. They, after having made a number of flights, noted that static and engine noise made reception on the plane radio and interphone system rather a difficult problem at times. Following the principle that the stethoscope amplified hearing, they cast about for a device which might put into practice the same theory. That was about Dec. 1, 1942.

They found it in the little plug and diaphragm, inserting the latter under the foam rubber cushion in the pilot's headphones and allowing the plug to be inserted in the ear. The result was nothing short of miraculous, for hearing improved almost 100 per cent. Where signals had formerly been weak, they now came in with clarity and volume, where words had been blurred and some-

Spanish Speaking Men Get Break in Column

CAMP MAXEY, Tex.—The first of its kind to appear at Camp Maxey, is a column written by Pvt. Marcel LeClaire in Spanish for the Regimental newspaper of the 407th Inf. Because there are many Spanish men in the unit Private LeClaire decided something should be done for them and he did it.

Glass Protection

To render airmen immune to dangerous ultra-violet rays, a new type glass has been developed for use in airplane cabins.

Knit One

Necessity is the mother of invention and Sgt. Clem T. Simon, Co. D., 51st Bn., 11th Regt., BIRTC, Camp Robinson, Ark., is proud of his wife's creative ability. She knitted a pair of covers for his dog tags because the chill of the metal on his body was unbearable during a cold spell.

Local Faculty

To help men taking Army Institute Courses and other correspondence work, the Special Service office at Stewart Field, West Point, N. Y., has assembled a "faculty" consisting of all enlisted men and officers who formerly were in school teaching. This faculty will meet at

stated times to answer questions and tutor soldiers.

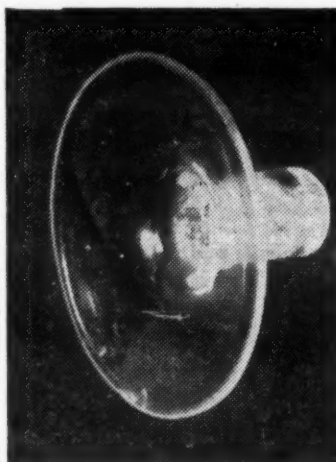
Get Acquainted

A novel way to get the men acquainted was initiated by Lt. K. W. Sorrells, Special Service officer at the 544th Regimental Hq., 4th Engineer Amphibian Brigade at Fort Devens, Mass., by the inauguration of "Old Home Night." The room is divided into nine service commands with their emblems and the states represented shown on signs. A register book of each state is kept where the enlisted men can register so that they can locate friends and make new ones from their home state.

Entertainment

Daily programs of music, news and dramatic presentations are piped to all barracks, day rooms and hospital wards at Madison Barracks, N. Y., where a new carrier system has been installed.

times a matter of guesswork, they were now unquestionably distinct. The first models were completed and tested about Dec. 15th and from that



TWO VIEWS of the little device which is a big help to fliers in overcoming engine noise and static.

—Air Forces Photo

time on tests have been continuing, with particular emphasis placed upon the points which had been troublesome.

The device is made in much the same manner as a denture (dental plate) being the product of the post dental laboratory, under the supervision of Maj. Robert C. Ingram, S/Sgt. Leonard A. Presley is the technician who has been manufacturing them with the assistance of Cpl. Paul Weaver, and it was he who explained that thus far those hearing aids had utilized only waste materials.

According to Captain Stewart, the device is of particular benefit to those pilots having slight hearing defects. It offers no discomfort to the wearer and there is almost no possibility at all of injury in the case of a crash, the diaphragm part being cushioned in the sponge rubber which lines the headphones. The plastic is smooth and will not cause skin irritation.

Primarily though, the device will be of aid to the aviation cadets in training at Cochran Field and a number of other fields in the United States if approved and manufactured on a large scale, for a cadet tends, in his early flying days, to be nervous and therefore uncertain of what he hears. A clear signal or message is certain to put him at ease and make him sure of his instructions, facilitating the work of the instructor as well as the control tower men.

Apt Reply

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—A sentry on duty failed to salute the officer of the day as he passed by. Noticing it, the officer confronted him with the query: "How about a 'highball,' soldier?" "No thanks, sir," replied the sentry, "I don't drink when I'm on duty."

Riley Rips

FORT RILEY, Kans.—Visitors to the CRTC sometimes think the armistice has been declared when they hear yelling and hollering from the drill fields here. During bayonet practice, the GI's and officers throw themselves into the spirit of the thing with such "wim and wig" that even the dogs which tag along with the troops head for sanctuary in Breakneck Canyon. The way they carry on you'd think they all missed the supplementary payroll.

A gal-friend of a CRTC trooper got a letter from him with the postmark stamped, "Feb. 29, 1941, Junction City, Kans." There ain't no such day on our calendar.

Pvt. William S. Miller is the unofficial barber for the boys in Motors at CRTC. He's no head-chopper, either. For five years he worked in the Capitol building and in the White House in Washington, barbering the great and near-great. Ex-President Herbert Hoover was a steady customer of Miller's, not to mention dozens of senators and representatives.

Here at the replacement center, he furnishes a professional job for a small fee to fellow soldiers, during his off-duty hours from his job of driving a jeep.

Non-coms in C-5 have developed their own special brand of GI slang. Cpl. Raymond Korbobo reports, in the mess hall, they ask for different foods by the name of the man closely associated with them. For instance, if the NCO has a "sweet and easy-going personality" (a rare bird), they substitute his name when asking for sugar. Following is the list which Corporal Korbobo jotted down at noon chow the other day:

Sgt. Loren Hazeldahl—Sugar.
Sgt. Charles Fuller—Beans.
Cpl. Cril Startup—Prunes.
Sgt. John J. Keogh—Vinegar.
Cpl. Ray Korbobo—Salt and pepper.
Cpl. George Sterman—Napkins.
Cpl. Paul Dekanek—Ice cream.
Sgt. John Adamski—Hamburger.
Cpl. Charles Buell—Jam.

Cpl. David Friedlander says the boys in Weapons have heard some trainees chanting this prayer while on the firing range:

"The Weapons Instructor is my Protector; I shall not get mad. He maketh me to abide by that M-1 Rifle. He maketh me to march from the Barracks to the National Rifle Range. He restoreth those kinks in my bones; He maketh me in the prone, the sitting (oh, it 'hits me in the belly'), and maketh me in the standing position (it's killing me, but I can take it). He leadeth me to the path of righteousness. Yes, the I walk through surroundings of the Rimrock, I will fear no evil, for many M-1's are with me. He shouteth Ready on the Right and Ready on the Left, then he maketh me Ready on the Firing Line. He maketh me ready for the Target (I do not know whether to fire at Him or the Target). The Day is coming when I will no more dwell in the Presence of that Instructor. (For give Him, Father, for he knoweth not what he doeth.)"

Livingston Loops

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—Working behind "locked doors," a staff of artists and scene-painters is preparing a group of authentic Broadway sets for the forthcoming 4th FA Brigade musical show, "Cavalry Firing."

Sgt. Major Duke, complete with dog tags, insignia and stripes, is the latest arrival in the Brigade. Duke has all the elan, savor and dignity usually associated with his rank and makes quite an impressive sight as he strolls through camp, sniffing disdainfully here and there. He is a huge black and white great Dane, owned by Pvt. Rafael Soriano of the Cavalry Battery.

M/Sgt. W. H. Harrington, sergeant-major of the 35th FA Regiment is making plans now for the "little vine-covered cottage" in the country. Sergeant Harrington will end 30 years' of service and career in the Army next month.

The 350th FA Regiment reported 96 per cent participation in buying in the outfit.



QUADALCANAL came to Edwards, Mass., when soldiers of the 141st Infantry Regiment presented seven showings of the dramatization of "Fighting on Guadalcanal," a pamphlet circulated by the War Department. The dramatization was produced by T/5 Ray C. Grimes, with Lt. Koy M. Bass playing the role of Col. Merritt A. Edson, commanding officer of the Fifth Marines at Guadalcanal who conducted the interviews which composed the pamphlet.

—Signal Corps Photo

Tough Maneuvers Promised Troops

Lt. Gen. Ben Lear To Approximate Combat Training

HQ SECOND ARMY, Memphis, Tenn.—Maneuvers for troops of the Second Army in central Tennessee beginning April 26, are going to be "tough." Instructions governing the maneuvers, circulated throughout the troops units by command of Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, Second Army commander, guarantee that the field training of the maneuver troops will more closely approximate combat training than any previous period. Brig. Gen. Norman Randolph, General Lear's chief of staff, pointed out that "experience in this war has proven that troops in many cases lack the high state of discipline required for success on the battlefield." During the maneuver periods and subsequent periods of training every effort will be made to eradicate any such condition from Second Army units.

Some of the rules cover: "Acceptable" Establishments: Civil and military authorities will inspect

all business establishments in the maneuver area which seek to do business with military personnel. Officers and men will be permitted to patronize only those establishments posted "acceptable."

Hitch Hiking: Prohibited.

Personal Conduct "That of gentlemen, a credit to the uniform," the unit and the Army to which the soldiers belong."

Water: Troops will drink water only from inspected sources. Public water supply will not be shortened by use for washing Army vehicles.

Timber: Nails will not be driven in trees, as it damages the value of the timber for lumber uses.

Crops: All crops in the maneuver area will be protected.

Traffic: Troops and military vehicles at a halt will move to the side of the road, to clear the highways and prevent injury to troops and civilians.

Food: Troops will be permitted to buy food only from inspected and approved places licensed to sell by Tennessee state health authorities. Purchase of food from roadside stands is to be "discouraged" and purchase of rationed foods by troops fed at Army messes is prohibited. No military personnel will insist on purchasing articles limited in supply. Milk will not be purchased by troops or for their use except from approved sources.

Shaves: Only approved barber will be patronized by Army personnel.

Speed Limit: 35 miles for passenger cars and 25 miles per hour for trucks.

Private Cars: No officer or enlisted man will operate a private car in the maneuver area or take his own car into the area. Officers and men may ride in cars owned by civilians in the area ONLY if invited to do so.

Passes: Passes and furloughs will be granted only in case of emergency during maneuvers. On week-ends not more than 25 per cent of any command will be permitted on pass and such passes will not begin before noon, nor extend beyond midnight. Exceptions will be made, upon presentation of proof, in the cases of men who have relatives living in the maneuver area.

Families: Families and relatives of men on maneuvers will be discouraged from coming to the maneuver area, because of housing limitations.

Hero Given Army Medal

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—With hundreds of 1114th Service Command soldiers and members of the WAACs standing at attention, Maj. Gen. Sherman Miles, commanding general of the First Service Command, presented Cpl. Joseph M. Foley with the Soldier's Medal for heroism displayed in his single-handed capture of three escaped prisoners last January.

The ceremony, held in front of camp headquarters, was one of the most impressive ever held at Edwards and was enlivened by the playing of Army music by the 1114th service command band.

Corporal Foley captured the three prisoners 25 hours after they slugged their guard, seized his rifle loaded with three rounds of ammunition, overpowered a truck driver and sped off in his vehicle. Working on a tip, Corporal Foley drove to Wareham, where he picked up the footprints in the fresh snow and followed them for approximately 500 yards into thick woods where he captured them single-handedly.

Army Lingo

Monickers Grace GI Trucks

By Pvt. Robert Sheekleton

FORT RILEY, Kans.—If "Blitz Buggy" is a peep, what is "Hot Box"? Answer: A tank.

Part of the fun of being a soldier in an armored division is naming the vehicles, like naming a favorite dog or horse. On the roads are thousands of vehicles carrying on their doors the names that demonstrate the soldier's romantic and humorous emotions.

Miss Bertha Adams has been telling all her friends how pleased she is that Sgt. Joe Becker of the 9th Armored Division has named his truck after her. On the doors, in big white letters, it says Bertha. We hope that she never learns that the truck is a wrecker. She might not be so tickled.

Lots of Romance

Joe isn't the only romantic driver in the camp. You can see all the girls in the alphabet: Adeline, Barbara, Cora and Dora, being advertised affectionately on a truck or a tank. On the other hand, there is little

love lost in the title of the prime mover driven by T/4 Alfred Bauer of the Maintenance Battalion—Benito's Coffin. He thinks that maybe the hearse-like shape of the vehicle suggested the name. At any rate he likes driving it and wouldn't mind using it someday to carry Mussolini to a permanent grave.

Adolph's Agony, a mounted howitzer of the 73rd Armored Field Artillery, is already aimed at the Axis. Other cars that are apparently on their way over include Berlin Express and Tokyo Bound. Sgt. Robert H. Christie, Division Headquarters Service Co., drives a gasoline truck, Slap a Jap.

Also on the list of Service Co. are five titles guaranteed to make any delivery prompt. Their trucks Swing-n-Sway, Sweet-n-Low and Suzy Q, deliver the goods double time, with appropriate motions.

Medics, Too

Most of the vehicles in the camp have been named to suggest their use. The humorists in the Medical

Corps call their ambulances Pill-Pusher or Hi-Doc. The trucks of the Supply Battalion come around the corner with names of supplies that they are probably not carrying. There is Ambrosia and Biscuit. The truck named Beer has a friend named Burp and they always go places together. Mess hall supplies are carried in Hell's Kitchen. The Maintenance Battalion's Bolts and Nuts is a truck that lives up to its name.

The vehicles named Bayonne, Chicago, Alabama and Brooklyn show that, to any soldier, there is no place like home. Even Clay City and Barnegat Bay have sent men into the Army. The smallest cars in the service, the peeps, answer to the name of Superman or So Big to bolster their ego, but some, such as Snake Hips, Jerk and Squeaky are actually more descriptive.

Of all the vehicles in Camp Fun-anti-tank guns will have the last word. Its name is Aspirin.

Old Swimming Hole 150 Acres of It

By HAL ROSS YOCKEY

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—The answer to a barefoot boy's dream was being unfolded at Camp Shelby this week as 600 soldiers were clearing 150 acres of land near the post for a huge lake and recreation area.

Announcement of the project for creating the artificial lake to be used for both swimming and amphibious training was made by Brig. Gen. George M. Halloran, post commander, after two years of work on such a project by the post special service office.

The lake itself will cover 150 acres or more of a tract which lies approximately two miles from the McLaurin entrance to Shelby. It will have an artificial beach covered with sand, as well as bath houses and picnic grounds. Boating and fishing are also contemplated.

A crew of 600 soldiers working under the direction of Maj. Robert J.

Nichols, post operations and training officer, went to work recently clearing the site for the lake.

With favorable weather, the job of clearing the tract of unnecessary trees and underbrush is expected to take two weeks.

It is anticipated that the lake will be ready for use when hot weather arrives.

Water for filling the lake, which tentatively has been named "Forrest Lake," will be furnished by damming Wall's Creek, one of the many small streams in the area.

The project was made possible by the Forrest County board of supervisors, which signed over the 500 acres without cost to the Army; the Federal works agency, which will furnish some of the funds; the facilities branch of the special service division, Washington, which was represented by Maj. H. K. Roberts, and the post engineers under Lt. Col. Harold Stewart.

Pvt. Tommy McGuire Is Pride of 309th

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—The 309th Infantry has a "soldier" in whom it takes special pride because he remembers he is a good soldier and never gives away a military secret. Not that he hasn't any to give—far from that! He spends his days and nights on the regimental recreation building and hears all and sees all that goes on.

His name is Pvt. Tommy McGuire. He is a wooden puppet, and resents being called a "dummy," according to his owner, Cpl. Harry A. Ray, because he wants to do big things to win this war.

The only time he talks is when Cpl. Ray, a ventriloquist, wills it.

Then he prattles on and on. He quarrels with Cpl. Ray in regimental shows, cracks wise and makes most impertinent remarks for a doughboy.

Corporal Ray has outfitted him with an OD shirt and trousers and other GI clothing.

His owner, besides being a ventriloquist, is a juggler, magician, tap and acrobatic and wire walker. He has appeared in vaudeville and circuses. He is now in charge of entertainment for the 309th Infantry under the supervision of Lt. Robert Heckert, special service officer.

22,000 JAPANESE AMERICANS will soon be in the U. S. Army.

Maxey Mixtures

CAMP MAXEY, Tex.—The Maxey Merry-makers, a volunteer group of musicians, has been organized by Cpl. A. Jimmie Martin of the special service office. Meeting and practicing on their own time, using the few available instruments and facing the hardships that usually confront any volunteer group of entertainers, the musicians got together and gave their first musicale and variety show in record time. The warm reception given the Merry-makers by the Det. DEML, 1882nd unit, has encouraged them to make the entertainment a regular Thursday night feature.

GOLDBRICK OF THE WEEK

Orchids for the goldbrick of the week go to the soldier who found himself on the top floor of a barracks with only three other occupants instead of the usual large number. Wallowing in the luxury of his spacious new quarters, he moved his bed to a clean spot each day to avoid mopping around his bunk.

Not official yet, but gaining in popularity is the new command, created by a second lieutenant in the 406th Inf. The command: "Prepare to smoke" gives the soldiers time to produce their fags and then: "In cadence, smoke; puff, two, three, four; puff, two, three, fough; HALT, prepare, BUTTS!"

Frugal as the Chinese is Pvt. Wayne Trees of the Det. QMC, who appropriated a worn and battered wrist watch from the trash barrel last week. The watch had no winding stem, but that didn't discourage our frugal friend. Each night he removes the back and winds the main spring by hand, next off comes the crystal and the hands are set at the correct hour. "The only trouble with the watch," remarks Private Trees, "it loses 60 minutes every hour."

As Easy as ABC

PTA Newest Army Alphabet Branch

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—The Army's alphabet now lists a P. T. A. but the meaning of the letters differ greatly from the school organization and explains the two new second lieutenants in the physical therapy aide unit of the service at Camp Butner.

Last week the two young ladies were commissioned in the newest branch of the Army of the United States. The new officers who traded civilian garb for the blue of the P. T. A. are 2nd Lieuts. Dorothy M. Helm and Marian E. Miller, stationed in the station hospital's physiotherapy clinic.

Last December an act of Congress authorized this separate branch of the Army and Tuesday the first officers took the oath at Camp Butner as work slowed up in the clinic.

The two officers supervise the therapeutic treatment of more than 100 patients daily in their need for ultra-violet, radium heat, whirlpool, massage and other types.

Who's the Better?

FORT SAM HOUSTON, Tex.—"Halt! Who goes there?" a 95th Infantry Division sentinel challenged a dark form one night recently.

"Private Perfect," answered Pvt. Alfred P. Perfect, a member of Co. B of the 95th's 320th Engineering Battalion.

"That funny," replied the guard, "I'm Private Best."

The guard was Pvt. Joe F. Best, also a member of Co. B of the 320th Engineers.

First-Run Movies To Be Shown 'Bedside Circuit'

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—The station hospital here has been included in the Red Cross "bedside circuit"

whose patients will be shown first-run movies printed on 16 millimeter film, Miss Mary K. Hunt, assistant director of hospital field work, announced recently.

M-1—Cows To You

NORTH CAMP POLK, La.—The burden of fatigue detail has been lightened for the privates of the 8th Armored Division with the addition to the camp equipment of a herd of "M-1 self-propelled grass destroyers."

The M-1s—cows to you—have adopted the busy Army camp as their rangeland and browse contentedly in the shaded pine grove outside the division's front door.

Made possible through the cooperation of officer personnel of various Army hospitals, the program will be under the supervision of four Red Cross area directors.

Films will be available to hospitals 30 to 60 days after release, and are to be projected for soldier-patients at their beds by enlisted men specially trained for the work. Among those now available are: "The Palm Beach Story," "The Major and the Minor," "Swan and Morocco," "The Black Swan" and "Arabian Nights."

EM Wore Officer's Uniform—Safely

But He Had to Talk Hard to Convince the MP's

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—It took T/4 Don Porter eight years to achieve his ambition to act before Hollywood cameras. Less than a year after he attained his goal, he finds himself behind a camera, working for Uncle Sam.

He's attached to the third signal laboratory unit, training to record on film the actions of this war. He chose this "exceedingly dangerous branch of the Army" because photography is his hobby.

Played a Captain

Since his entrance into the Army last November he has made one picture. It was for the Air Corps. He played the part of a captain in this picture and thereby hangs a tale.

The film was made at Barksdale Field. Porter and another actor, a private in the Army but an officer in the picture, ran into some fun because of the uniforms they wore during working hours.

Dressed in their officers' uniforms, Porter and his pal strolled into the

enlisted man's portion of the Barksdale cafeteria and sat down. They received some dirty looks but didn't give any thought to the matter until an MP came to their table.

"Sorry, sirs," said the MP, "but this side is reserved for enlisted personnel only. Officers' section is right over there."

Still more or less preoccupied with the problem of operating a B-26 in six short lessons, Porter calmly told the MP that he and his buddy were enlisted men and therefore were in the right place.

Wrong Thing

MP's have an aversion for EM who dress in officer's clothing. And when the EM admits he's a faker, that is enough to drive the cop slap-happy.

"You're what?" yells this particular killjoy, making preliminary preparations to haul the innocents to the guardhouse.

"It took some talking," reports Porter, "to convince the guy we were OK. But when we did we still had a problem. Everybody in the place kept complaining to the poor MP about those two so-and-so's who didn't know their proper place."

"Finally the MP came over and asked us to eat with the officers to save him from getting his ears blistered. So we ate with the officers when we were dressed as they were."

"We had fun on that job. Lieutenants would salute me during the day, and I'd salute them after five o'clock. Some of them were quite confused."



VICTORY via V-nickels is the slogan of Cpl. James Tullos, manager of the reception center theater at Camp Shelby, Miss. Corporal Tullos has been saving V-nickels for 10 months, and to date has 1,920 jitneys in his collection. He will convert them into War Bonds and start all over on his new V-nickel campaign. —PPO Photo

Livingston Loops

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—The mobile canteen, operated by the Special Service Section of the 46th F. A. Brigade on a recent field trip was familiarly and affectionately dubbed the "galloping PX" by sweet-toothed soldiers.

T/Sgt. Harold McCray, brigade dance orchestra leader, announced the formation of a trio last week. The third member is a baby girl, born at Fort Benning hospital. Mother and daughter both doing well.

Boxing fans in these parts are still "ga-ga" over the great fight put up by Sgt. Lee Harvey, 351st F. A., before he finally bowed to Camp Claiborne's light heavy champ, Sgt. George Riley. The fight was the feature of the third meeting of the 351st and the Fifth Tank Group of Claiborne, which again ended in a four-all draw. Other results: Shorty Jackson, 120, of the visitors was too strong for Pee-wee Gomes, 111, of the 351st; Mark Bryson, 175, 351st stopped Claiborne's Matty Hyman, 177; Eddie Kemp, 169, of the home team beat Tankman Tony Morales; Eddie Lee, 159, of Claiborne tumbled Al Jenkins, 159, Livingston, and Brigadier Clarence Jones, 172, rallied to take Jimmy Temple, 189, Fifth Tank Group.

No Longer Non-combatants

Armorers Today Go Under Fier

FORT RILEY, Kans.—In other wars armorers could do their work at a comparatively secure behind-the-lines station. Armorers, or weapons repair men, along with clerks, mechanics and other overhead personnel once classified as non-combatant, are now part of every combat unit in the field.

CRTC Armorers School trains men for the vital job of repairing and maintaining all weapons used by the modern cavalry, with the exception of the 75-mm. assault gun. The M-rifle, 45 pistol and revolver, 30 calibre light and heavy machine gun, 50 calibre machine gun, Thompson sub-machine gun, 30 calibre carbine, 37-mm. anti-tank gun and 81-mm. mortar are all studied thoroughly. In addition to servicing weapons it is also the armorers' duty to service and repair the gasoline-operated field kitchens.

The ten weeks' course is given under the direction of 1st Lt. John Cain and Russell Holton. Every student must know the various parts

of each weapon and the functions they perform and why on completion of the course.

An armorer who knows his job can detect flaws or possible malfunctioning in the guns during routine inspections, thereby lessening the possibilities of failure in action. The lives of gun crews and sometimes the difference between victory and defeat depends on the thoroughness with which the troop armorer cares for the weapons in his charge.

An important part of the course

Omar's Feet Shrink

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Pvt. Omar Caplette, Co. F, 178th Inf., 45th Division, possesses a pair of shrinking feet.

When he entered the Army, Private Caplette was given a pair of size 6½ D brogans. A few months later he began wearing size 6EE, and just last week he was issued a pair of 5½ EE's.

is the work given the students on the rifle, pistol and machine gun ranges. While basic trainees are firing for record, all repairs and adjustments are made on the spot by men from Armorers School. Such training is invaluable since it poses problems similar to those that will be encountered later in the field.

The armorer has only simple equipment to work with and he is taught to accomplish his tasks with few tools. A brass hammer, combination tool, several files and a screwdriver comprise the armorer's kit.

Men are usually picked for this training on a basis of mechanical ability or previous experience with arms. However, in several instances men possessing no special knowledge in either field have become excellent armorers through training gained in the school. Most of the enlisted men now serving as instructors are men who were attending the school only a few months ago.

McClellan IRTC Blasts

FORT MCCLELLAN, Ala.—"Dear Mom" is more than a doughboy catch line, for the automatic cancelling machines at Fort McClellan's main postoffice clicked off 1,001,773 outgoing letters last month.

That's not the whole story, because packages and some of the letter mail doesn't go through the machines. But it's a pretty good index to the way that rookie soldiers keep their girl friends and the folks back home posted on what's happening during their basic training at the Fort McClellan Infantry Replacement Training Center.

No piece-by-piece checkup is possible on incoming mail; but the postal superintendent, J. T. Coleman, estimates that a trainee will average two letters received for every one sent out.

The Fort McClellan office and its five branches scattered through the battalion areas collected over \$10,500 in February for air mail and parcel post stamps. During the month soldiers bought \$247,416 worth of postal money orders to enclose with their letters.

The typical trainee, fresh from an induction center, asks something like 33,450,537 questions during the course of a basic training cycle. The first is always "When do we eat?" and the second is "How soon do I get a furlough to go home?"

To veterans and rookies alike a furlough is something to live for. Nothing in the world is quite as important, or sought after.

This makes Sgt. Jewel Hayes, Company B, 2nd Battalion, something of a rare bird, for he put in 22 months of continuous service before finally deciding that he better take a proffered furlough and be off for home—all the way to St. Louis.

The sergeant may have had the same trouble as Pvt. John D. Taylor, a trainee who figures he might just as well be in Timbuktu as only six miles from his home in Anniston, near here.

He gets his fatigues, leggings and cartridge belt washed up, his shoes shined, his rifle and bayonet cleaned—all at the same time—and there isn't a blessed thing to do except go into town. So they call the company out for a night problem.

Only a few rookies will risk the blasts of a fiery sergeant and leave a dirty rifle in the rack just for a mere trip to town. It's not surprising that an estimated one-third of the trainees never leave the post during their basic training period.

Pvt. David Weinbloom, Company A, 7th Battalion, has a nice job picked out for himself once his basic is over. Only a few weeks ago he was back in Brooklyn helping manufacture hosiery for the WAAC. Now he's applied for assignment to the Army branch which tests the durability in actual service.

Dr. Robinson To Visit Old Outfit

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—It will be old home week for Dr. Stewart M. Robinson when he returns for a preaching mission April 4-9 with the 78th "Lightning" Division, the outfit with which he was senior chaplain during the first World War.

According to Maj. Thomas E. Reagan, division chaplain, Dr. Robinson has maintained a file of the activities of the 76th during the division's stay in France in the first war.

Other pastors included in the six-day program of short talks and addresses are Dr. Jesse M. Baden, department executive secretary of the federal council of churches, and Dr. Schuyler E. Garth, chairman of the 1944 Ohio Pastors' convention. The purpose of the mission is to give the chaplains additional support in their work.

It Worked One Time Fellows

FORT SILL, Okla.—Lt. Lois P. Brown, commanding Fort Sill's 47th WAAC post headquarters company, believes in rewarding soldiers when they act like gentlemen.

Lt. Brown was in her office last weekend when the phone rang. An unknown soldier wanted to meet some WAACs; and he was so polite in asking the proper method of approach that she decided to help him out.

"I called in the first sergeant and had her pick out three or four attractive girls," Lt. Brown related. "She sent them over to service club No. 1 where the polite soldier was awaiting for them."

Famous Indian Warrior Buried at Moultrie

By Cpl. Martin O'Neill

FORT MOULTRIE, S. C.—Troops going about the business of World War II at Fort Moultrie pause now and then at a small, iron-fenced grave just inside the Fort entrance. It is small and humble. It is the grave of Osceola, the betrayed Seminole Indian chief who died in chains at Old Fort Moultrie 105 years ago after leading a reign of terror.

A few time-worn words are cut in the white stone slab which covers the grave.

"Osceola, Patriot and Warrior
Died at Fort Moultrie
Jan. 30, 1838."

There are few at the Fort who can tell the tragedy of Osceola, so remote is the story today. All they can relate is that one day in the Fall of 1837, Osceola and 70 of his captured Seminole warriors were bundled into the Old Fort Moultrie dungeon. Osceola, an old broken man at 33, was charged as a traitor and seditionist.

Osceola was born near the Chat-tahoochee River in Georgia in 1804. His mother, an Indian princess, named him Asseheholer—"black drink"—which the white people corrupted to Osceola.

Hating The Whites

He went to the Seminole tribe in Florida and grew up, hating the whites. When he was 13, Osceola took part in the first Seminole War of 1817-1818. This was instigated by the white settlers driving away the game and pushing the Seminoles into the forests.

Smouldering peace followed. Then

In 1834, the Seminole chiefs signed a treaty with the United States in which they agreed to forfeit their Florida possessions and move to the Indian territory in what is now Oklahoma. Osceola opposed the treaty, pointing out that "the white man

cannot be trusted."

December 28, 1835, was the day set for the sale of Seminole cattle and horses to the United States government prior to the tribe's migration. On that day murder struck swiftly. General Thompson and five

Army officers having dinner at a Fort King store, were surprised by Osceola's raiders and tomahawked. Osceola had the satisfaction of scalping his enemy.

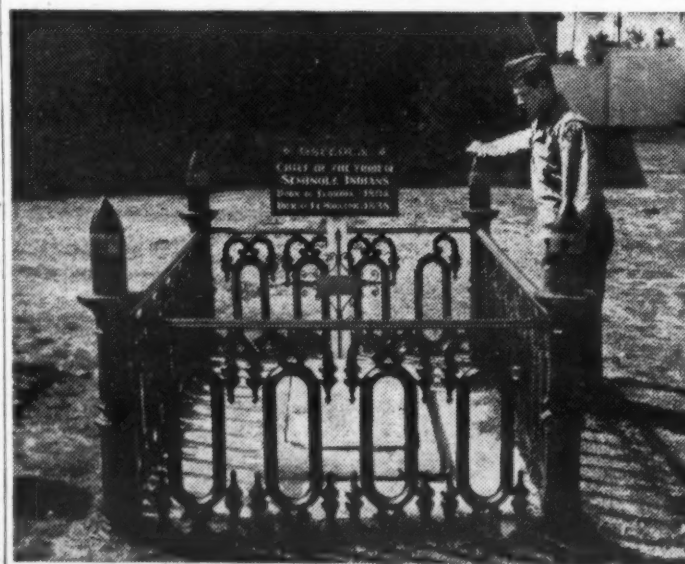
Thus the Second Seminole War of 1835-1837 began. In time the Seminoles were driven back to the Everglades. They came out now and then for guerrilla attacks, and vanished again into their dark swamps. Finally the United States, after the best generals were unable to penetrate the Everglades, offered peace terms.

Flag Of Truce

On October 21, 1837, Osceola and 70 of his chief warriors went under a flag of truce to confer with General Thomas Jesup about the armistice. General Jesup ordered them seized, explaining that traitors should not expect fair treatment. They were imprisoned at St. Augustine, Fla., for a few weeks and then were sent to Fort Moultrie.

Finally after three months of grieving, Osceola died. They say it was a fever. A few will tell you that he died of a broken heart, realizing he never more would see the Florida Everglades and his slave-wife.

Back in Florida in the meantime, the subdued Seminole tribe minus its leader was shipped to the Oklahoma Territory and there started life anew. A few hundred stubborn tribe members hid in the Everglades, defying searching parties. The present Seminole Indians in Florida are descendants of the die-hards. In 1915 they contracted a final peace with the United States.



AT THE GRAVE OF OSCEOLA

Pvt. Patsy Piccirillo looks on.

—Photo by Master Gunnery Officer

Little Jiro Had Own Way

Bullying Japanese Really Spoiled Babies

Little Jiro was a badly spoiled baby. Whatever little Jiro wanted, little Jiro got—that was until the baby brother showed up and then little Jiro didn't get anything he wanted.

This sudden severe emotional shock when Japanese men are babies is the reason for their overbearing, bullying conduct as adults according to Prof. John F. Embree, University of Toronto anthropologist now on war service in Washington, D. C.

According to Prof. Embree Japanese mothers are virtually slaves of each baby until the next baby arrives. Everything they want they get. They feed when they want to, sleep when they want to, do anything they want to until the baby brother arrives.

Then they are given over to the care of an older sister, who doesn't give a hoot what little Jiro wants. He has temper tantrums for weeks but they don't do any good.

This sudden shift in status, at the tender age of only one or two years, "creates an early sense of insecurity which in turn produces an adult who is never sure of himself and who through compensation may become almost paranoid."

The male Jap also may choose as his god, Susano-o No Mikoto, whose reputation was built on crude horseplay. Toss in the national policy and social custom of having the males the boss with the other odd characteristics and you have the tough little "Monkey Men" of Kipling's bitter hate.

Soldiers Save Officer From Swirling Stream

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—"Great ferry service, boys!"

With that terse but appreciative comment a thoroughly drenched officer was lifted from the swift waters of rain-swollen Little West Creek at Camp Campbell.

Another officer and an enlisted man were with him when the jeep in which they were riding was washed from the spillway of the ford as they attempted to cross the swirling waters.

One officer and the enlisted man were able to swim to the banks of the creek. The other officer, unable to swim, clung to the overturned jeep and called for help.

The cries of the distressed party were heard by officers and men of Company "E", 365th Engineer General Service Regiment, who were constructing a foot pontoon bridge

about 50 yards up creek from the scene of the accident.

Quick thinking and equally rapid execution of the commands of Lt. J. J. Donnelly, commanding officer of the company, resulted in the avoidance of tragedy.

Lieutenant Donnelly ordered his men to cut the anchor cable, the only available loose rope on the foot bridge.

The bridge was swept downstream.

At the immediate location of the accident one end of the floating structure came to anchor against a tree stump, allowing the men on shore to crawl out onto the wedged foot-bridge and bring the endangered officer to safety.

Lieutenant Donnelly names Lt. D. L. MacInerney and Lt. D. A. Manspeaker, with Corporals Woods, Packard and Cyrus as those men who were most active in bringing about the rescue.

Heifetz Assured of Shaves Thanks to GI Present

CAMP MURPHY, Fla.—Jascha Heifetz has come to Camp Murphy and none, but neither the great virtuoso nor the soldiers of this Signal Corps post are likely to forget the engagement for some time.

The men, of course, will long remember the matchless quality of the music he so graciously played for the military audience, while Mr. Heifetz will remember Camp Murphy 144 days, at least, for razor blades.

A gross of his favorite shaving edges was presented to the artist by "the men of the post" when just before his train's departure, Mr. Heifetz revealed his need for razor blades.

The great violinist was informal at his concert. He introduced his interpretation of a Bach prelude with the admonition that "this is musical spinach—good for you." At the intermission, he gave the soldiers the military command to be "at ease" for 10 minutes.

A special feature of the Heifetz concert was that Signal Corps public address equipment was used to transmit the music from the stage of the recreation hall to the station hospital, where all the patients heard the program.

"I use a GI scrub brush," said the private simply and he removed his upper and lower plates to back up the statement.

They're in the Army Now



The guy who used to be a subway guard.
—Cpl. Pat Murphy, Camp Livingston, La.



FOREIGN-BORN soldiers in training at Camp Blanding, Fla., include Pfc. Mohammed A. Kady of the 33rd Chemical Company, who hails from Sidi-Joopan, Arabia. Kady demonstrates that the deadly art of wielding a knife for in-fighting is just an old native custom with him.

Foreign-Born Soldiers Show Savage Training Enthusiasm

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Foreign-born soldiers of the 33rd Chemical Company are training here with savage enthusiasm to accomplish one thing: "fight to the end and finish the war."

From the frozen fjords of Norway and the stinging hot sands of Arabia they have come to fight under one flag, and all of them have reasons to be eager to get down to actual combat.

Take T/5 Henry Kurzydowski, for instance. He's Polish by birth, and his heart is really in his preparation to fight because he has a father, brother and sister in Poland. To

put it bluntly, he fears for their safety. Once he wrote newspaper articles against Germany, and he thinks the Nazis remember. Henry, as he practices sliding through the grass on his belly, keeps muttering: "If we are lost, we are lost for good."

Then, there are tall, blonde Norsemen in the outfit. Pvt. Peter Mathisen, who came here in 1929 and settled down in Brooklyn, is one of them. Peter is sullen about Norway and the Nazi blitz of his country. Ask him about it, and his only answer is: "I don't feel so good about that. But he growls as he says it, and there is a lot of fight behind that growl. Peter's sister is 'somewhere in Norway.'"

One of the most colorful men in the whole outfit, and perhaps the least communicative of all is Pfc. Mohammed A. Kady. His native place is Sidi-Joopan, Arabia. He

can't even tell you how he got out of his country. Yet he is eager to tangle with any Axis warriors. Kady simply grins and shows his gleaming white teeth when you talk about war. He gets out his knife, and wants to show you how he can use it to tackle a Jap in the bush, or sneak up on a German sentry.

There are others, too: Pfc. William Hromen, from Dalmatia in Jugoslavia; Pfc. Paul Chropufka, a Czech; Pvt. Chong Moy, Canton, China; Pvt. John Hanlon, Liverpool, England; and Pvt. Peter J. Lindland, of Norway and Brooklyn.

Lindland, as he goes through his training paces with spirited ferocity, sums it up for all these men who would avenge native countries crushed by the German or the Japs: "I'm mad. I hate Germany and I want to fight. My people there are not starving, but it's easy to read between the lines."

Wolters Route Step

CAMP WOLTERS, Tex.—On Monday, March 22, Camp Wolters observed, without ceremony, its second anniversary.

RED CROSS

Lt. Col. Peter C. Schroeder camp chaplain, is chairman of the Red Cross roll call for war funds to be deducted at Wolters on pay day, March 31. He is working in cooperation with the camp's Red Cross chapter, directed by Chris O'Connor.

Neither General Sexton nor Major Simmons even rates a salute around here. General Sexton is the name of a private, while Major Simmons is another dogface taking his basic training at Wolters.

Some idea of the growth of Camp Wolters can be had in figures announced by the Southwestern Bell Telephone company. From the 9300 local calls and 170 long distance calls made on a daily average two years ago, the phone traffic has jumped to the 35,000 local calls and 850 long distance calls of today.

Cpl. Thaddeus Fabirkewicz of Detroit presented a problem until men of his company simplified matters by renaming him just plain Murphy.

An inspecting officer found a pile of sand swept into the corner of an NCO room. He asked the non-com how come, to which the non-com replied, "Well, Sir, you never know when an incendiary bomb will drop in on you, and I just wanted to be prepared."

Pvt. Wayne W. Coplea no sooner had taken unto himself a bride than she came down with measles and was quarantined.

AT CAMP DAVIS, N. C., soldiers wear out about 137 pairs of shoes a day.

20th Armored Division Activated at Ceremony

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—An impressively colorful though short ceremony marked the formal activation of the 20th Armored Division on the parade grounds here recently.

Massed before the reviewing stand the 12,000 soldiers paid military honors to Maj. Gen. Carlos Brewer, commanding general of the 12th Armored Division, the governor's representative, Brig. Gen. J. M.

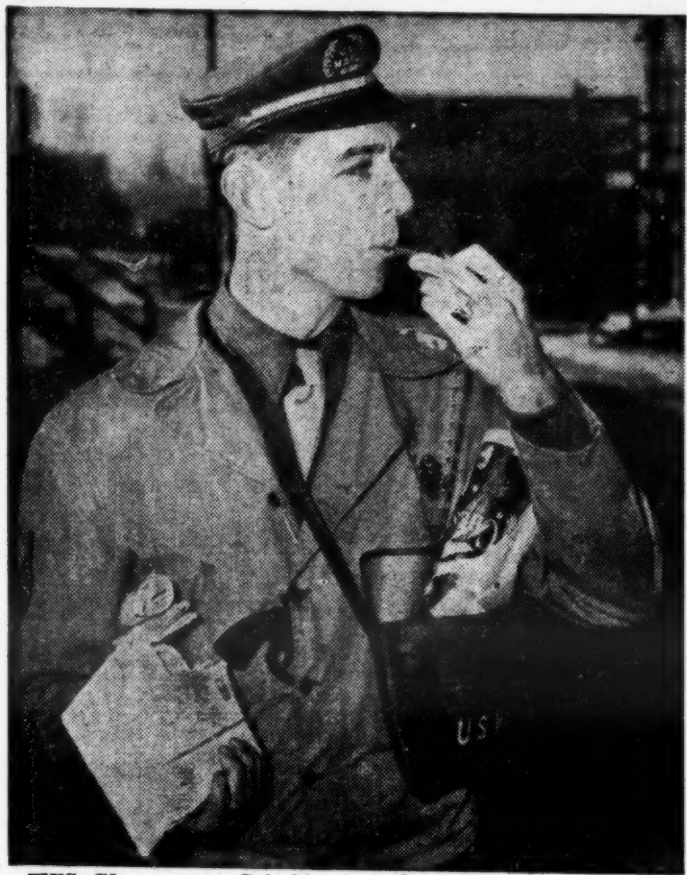
Dickinson, Tennessee state guard, and other guests.

The formal ceremony included the invocation, reading of the activation orders, presenting of the unit colors and the playing of the National Anthem.

Following the formalities the guests were entertained by a display of armored forces vehicles. A flight of B-17s flying overhead completed the picture of military might.



"I'm from the Gallup poll. Are you happy here?"



THIS GI postman, Cpl. Marshall Clements, was given his picturesque garb by Supply Sgt. Brack McLain in retribution for the morale-boosting service he performs for the company. Both men are attached to the Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, Camp Pickett, Va.

And He's the Family Runt Outfitting Soldier Drives Sgt. Wacky

By PVT. HERB KRAUS
SOMEWHERE IN HAWAII—Hawaii's candidate for the title of America's biggest doughboy turned up this week in the person of Alvin "Slim" Frieberger, who has reportedly driven his supply sergeant to drink after that worthy vainly attempted to outfit him in proper military style.

Slim's gargantuan proportions first came to the good sergeant's attention when he received a modest request for a size 14, double E shoe, a heretofore unheard of measurement in the annals of his regiment and absolutely unobtainable in this vicinity.

Hastily impressing a yardstick into service to adequately gauge Slim's nether extremities, the supply room managed to map out a rough draft of the pedal area, photostatic copies of which have been mailed to Washington for further action.

However, that was only the beginning of the sergeant's nightmare.

Surprise turned to consternation when Private Slim's 6 foot 6 bulk revealed the following elephantine standards: Socks, size 13; hat 7; neck 17½; sleeve length 36, and trousers, 35 waist and 38 length. "Praise the Lord," cried the addled GI valet, when it was ascertained that Slim took the regulation size OD tie.

Hailing from Point, Tex., where everything from coyotes to corporals grows large, Slim blushing admitted he was the "runt" of the Frieberger clan. Brothers Dale and John were rejected by alert Army medics for being built with their ears too far removed from their ankles. They displace the ether at 6 foot 8, and 6 foot 7, respectively, by surveyor's calculations. It was a tossup whether to take young Slim or not, but the inducting officer figured that his broad expanse of underpinnings might be utilized in amphibious warfare as a sort of one-man gunboat.

Meanwhile, this Gulliver among the Lilliputians is quite unabashed at the furor his unique personality has created in usually quiet Quartermaster circles out here.

Said he, when interviewed in the act of swallowing great gobs of type "C" rations and GI Java, "They can't shoot me and they gotta feed me."

Wanna Bet?

CAMP PHILLIPS, Kans.—Men of Camp Phillips will lay you 6 to 2 that no other camp can equal their weather. The other day there was a blue sky overhead . . . at the same time it was snowing violently . . . and you could see a dull red sunset.

Gas Officer Must Know Weather

FORT RILEY, Kans.—A long line of vehicles headed into a pass when a series of smoke charges burst; the vehicles halted, reversed their tracks, and headed back through the pass.

Lt. Col. Gerald O. McMillen, chemical officer for the 9th Armored Division, noted with pleasure the successful operation of his favorite battle device, smoke. "The smoke functioned perfectly," he noted, "and so did the troops. Discipline is the best defense against chemical warfare. If that column had headed

into the smoke, they wouldn't have been able to see six inches ahead of them and they would have become entangled and trapped."

Gas Chamber Used
As chemical officer for the division, Colonel McMillen is in charge of training the Armorers in the use of chemicals and the defense against them.

The gas mask that every man always carries as part of his field equipment is a constant reminder that gas may be used. Every man in the division has passed through the gas chamber and his first taste

of gas never leaves him.

Colonel McMillen also finds himself acting as weatherman for the division. He explains that this came about as a result of the changes which the weather makes in the use of chemicals. Wind and rain, heat and cold continually change the problem of chemical warfare and foreknowledge of weather conditions is essential in planning its employment.

Weather Chart Handy

When Colonel McMillen is consulted by the division commander in regard to the use of chemicals, he carries a weather chart with him. And since weather conditions are important in the tactical employment of an Armored Division, Colonel McMillen had better be right. He stresses the use of weather in planning tactical movements, showing its effect in the Russian campaign, the effect of rain in the Tunisian campaign and notes the Japanese method of attempting to provide a defense against aircraft by coordinating their tactics with forthcoming weather conditions.

Colonel McMillen is one man in the division who must know which way "the wind is blowing."

Barkeley Blasts

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—More interested than anyone else in reading a news-story about a group of officers and enlisted men with the U. S. Forces in Tunisia, who escaped capture because German soldiers were more engrossed in their pistols and watches, than in capturing them, was Pvt. Herbert Longoria, of Co. B, 59th Bn., MRTC. One member of the group was his cousin, Cpl. Joseph Longoria, 24, of Mission, Tex.

The story described how a German tank crew, more intent on collecting pistols and wrist-watches than prisoners, permitted 17 officers and enlisted men of an American Artillery battery and a medical unit to escape capture even after the Nazi tanks had knocked out most of their vehicles and left them far in the rear. Longoria's cousin hiked out 17 miles to rejoin his unit.

The title, "Company of Brotherly Love," might be relegated to Co. C, 59th Bn., MRTC. The outfit boasts three sets of brothers.

They are Robert A. Walbert, 25, and Lee H. Walbert, 28; Alfred P. Shook, 23, and Ralph M. Shook, 21, in the third platoon; and Melvin J. Womack, 20, and Ray Womack, 21, in the fourth platoon. All are trainees.

Biceps of men in the MRTC are expected to bulge in the near future. Each company in MRTC has been supplied with a complete set of barbells, distributed by the MRTC Athletics Office, and ranging in weight from one-quarter pound to 20 pounds. "They are designed to fit in with, and supplement the physical fitness program being carried on in all battalions," said Lt. A. G. Hyatt, MRTC Athletics officer.

When trainee members of Co. A, 54th Bn., MRTC, go in for GI haircuts, they do it in a big way. Last Saturday, 58 of them lined up, marched to the PX barbershop and had their locks shorn. The shearing lasted three hours. It wasn't exactly voluntary—but after the ordeal was over, everyone was happy about the whole thing—at least they all looked alike, except for the variations in the exposed bumps. The clipping occurred when the recently arrived trainees failed to heed orders to get haircuts—GI.

"Elmer's Tune" seems to be the officially-selected theme song of the 54th Bn., MRTC, supply departments. Supply Sergeant Whittenbeck, with Eugene as given name, is the only "outsider." Others are Elmer Short, Co. A; Elmer Ambler, Co. B, and Elmer Pyatt, Co. D.

How Acting Cpl. Buford Frith got his new nickname, "Cookie" is the cream-of-the-crop around Co. C, 57th Bn., MRTC.

As corporal of the guard recently, the story goes, Frith was on duty in battalion headquarters. He sat at the desk of Capt. James C. Harris, Operations and Training officer, when the telephone rang. Frith answered it, opened a drawer of the desk and got out a pencil to jot down a message. He noticed a package of cookies in the desk. To keep himself occupied, Frith nibbled away at the cookies. Next morning they were gone, and they call him Cookie Frith.

Cripple for Ten Years Is Soldier

Only Mother's Faith Prevents the Amputation of Leg



Pvt. Frank Skura

Wheeler Whirl

By Pvt. Dick Tracey
CAMP WHEELER, Ga.—In keeping with the President's wish that all available space be used in producing foods, the Camp Wheeler "Cabbage Patch" has planted cabbages in a small plot of ground near the Chemical Warfare Dept. warehouse No. 5. The Cabbage Patch Family is the unique name given military and civilian personnel employed at this warehouse for their interest in gardening.

The members of the unit have also been given the fictitious names of characters in the book, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch." Mrs. Mildred Jeffries is known as, "Mrs. Wiggs," Lt. Col. G. W. B. Witten is "Peter Rabbit," 2nd Lt. Arthur Schloss is known as "Mr. Eichorn," T/Sgt. A. M. Fraser and Cpl. H. B. Maddex Jr., are "The Weeds," Cpl. Milton Wolff is "Chris Hazy," Pvt. W. M. Harris is "Pete," Pvt. Thomas H. O. Smith Sr., is "Bob Redding" and Mr. Charles J. Rogero is known as "Mr. Bagby."

Telephone operators recently thought they were hearing double as the staff of the public relations office put in various calls. First it was Lieutenant Blake, camp PRO calling for a Private Blake. Then Lieutenant Hubbard JRTC PRO, placed a call for a Corporal Hubbard. Later on Privates Woodard and Tracey who work together in the PRO had occasion to call a certain regiment for information concerning a Colonel Tracey and a Major Woodard, both of whom are connected with the same headquarters unit.

One Camp Wheeler soldier, who by the way hails from the Hoosier state can vouch for the quality of food served at the Hq. and Hq. Co. mess hall. Recently he was reported to have gone back for five helpings. First he ate at early chow and got seconds, then ate at regular chow and got seconds and then got back in line to eat again.

Blanding Soldiers Give \$8000 to Red Cross

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Through the efforts of Sgt. Jap Davis former all-American fullback from Duke University, \$8,200 was raised in the 30th Infantry Division here among enlisted men for the American Red Cross War Fund Drive. All contributions were voluntary.

FORT RILEY, Kans.—In spite of spending half of his 19 years either in bed or as a cripple, Frank Skura, Troop A, 6th Squadron, cavalry replacement training center on the Fort Riley, Kans., military reservation today can "take it" with the best.

Frank was stricken with infantile paralysis when only two years old. Six of his next nine years were spent in bed, with enough improvement the last three years to permit his getting around with the aid of a steel brace on his left leg.

Suffered Relapse

Then when Frank was about 11 years old the withered limb suddenly seemed to come to life, although the brace was still necessary. But fate hadn't finished playing with Frank, for after two years of seeming improvement he suffered a relapse.

Consulting physicians agreed that amputation of the leg was the only means of saving the boy's life—but Frank's mother stoutly refused to allow it.

"My boy will come walking home to me someday," she said.

For six months Frank hovered between life and death. Massages, heat treatments, medication, seemed to have no effect on the leg. Then one day he noticed warmth, a flow of blood through the limb. Recovery was rapid after that and soon he was able to walk into his own home—but the mother who had fought to save the leg from amputation and who instilled her faith and courage into her son never witnessed the event—she died shortly before he recovered.

The mother's faith lives on in Frank. Through the dreary years of sickness he managed to keep up his schooling, nurses teaching him the subjects other children were learning in classrooms. His first day of school came when he entered high school and to show the further rapid improvement in his condition he played two years of varsity football. From the time the war broke out in Europe Frank knew he had to get in the Army. His father, a Polish emigrant, could realize the boy's ambition to fight for freedom and country, but couldn't offer him much encouragement.

Through On Double

Frank Skura was rejected by both the Army and the Navy. In November 1942 he tried again. "They were examining an awful bunch that day," he said, "We practically went through on the double, but I was accepted." Sent to CRTC, classed as limited service, he finished his basic and upon being examined was offered a certificate of disability discharge. His answer was to put in for general service.

"I didn't come into the Army because I had to," he said, "I came to do my part of the job before us. I have never felt better in my life. My leg is strong and getting stronger."

Hulen Highlights

By Pvt. Bill Faust

CAMP HULEN, Tex.—Hulen Aircrafters set their sights a close range on a Nazi killer, the Messerschmitt 109. The bullet-riddled fighter stopped here on its tour of the country. Their only comment and with raised eyebrows, "Humm! Quite a bit of it left" . . . Pvt. Hennig Hansen, 105th Group Hq. Battery, met up with some German agents in Rio. He was serving in the Danish Merchant Marine and Nazi raiders held them at bay for two months. Found out they were not subtle . . . The 5th Tow Target Squadron has two members of the Caterpillar Club in its midst; S/Sgt. Soren P. Lonneberg and Cpl. William Drum. When asked what he thought about bailing out, Lonneberg drawled, "Aw, there's not much to it, no one ever complains if the 'chute doesn't open' . . . Officers in the Plans and Training section of the 202nd Battalion came up with a new device, a Tracer Tracer. It is used to familiarize the new gunners with the necessary leads so as to not waste ammunition during the first days of actual firing. You can say, this tracer device traces the tracers around the target . . . The Houston Symphony Orchestra gave out for the soldiers featuring classics from which popular songs hit "steals" had been made.

Father's Discharge Ends Father-Sons Training

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—A father and two sons who have been soldier "buddies" here for the past six months are due to be separated.

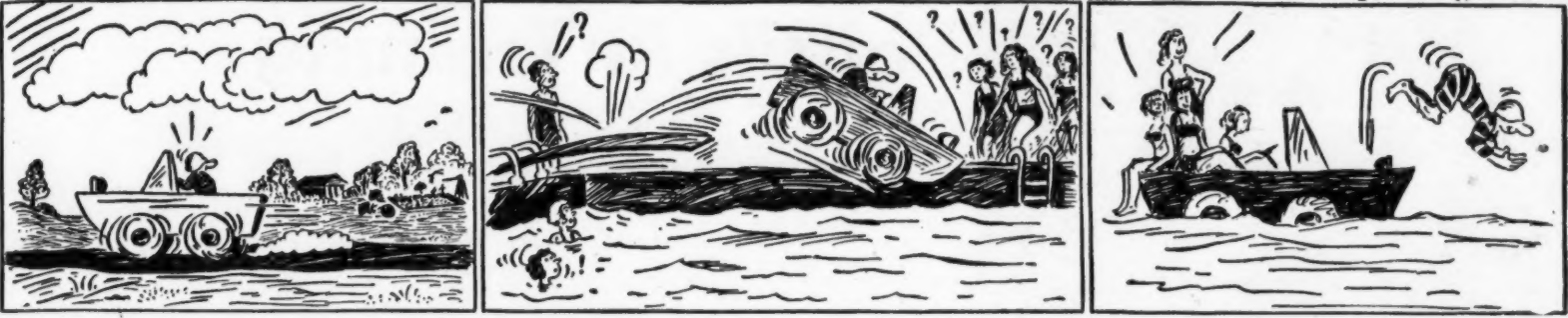
For the past six months, Pvt. Otis Ashley, 49, and his sons, Pvt. Herman E. 21, and Pfc. Calvin J. 19, have been members of the same anti-aircraft battalion here. They

slept in adjacent barracks, ate in the same mess hall, went on bivouacs together and compared experiences each day as they proceeded through their strenuous training.

Now the father is eligible for discharge because of his age and plans to help his boys and all others in service by getting a job in a war plant.

CYCLONE MOSE

By Cpl. Grover Page, Jr.,
Camp Livingston, La.



BOOKS

Randy Allen

By Sgt. A. J. Abruzzo,
Armored Force, Fort Knox, Ky.

"I SERVED ON BATAAN." By Lt. Juanita Redmond, ANG. Lippincott, Philadelphia. \$1.75.

"Tomorrow, help will get here." That was the theme of Bataan, and meanwhile food stores dwindled, horse meat became an item of diet; quinine melted away and malaria became prevalent. And tomorrow didn't come!

So simply as to be heart-breaking, Lieutenant Redmond tells the story of Bataan—of Japanese propaganda leaflets dropped from the skies; of the intentional bombing and destruction of buildings emblazoned with the Red Cross, symbol of sanctuary; of nightmares in the wards at night when a voice would shout, "Hit the floor! Bombers overhead!" and startled, half-awake patients would roll to the floor; of the new method of treatment for gas gangrene developed by Colonel Adamo; of the perfection of a hat which one of the nurses received as a Christmas gift, and the sharp nostalgia which reduced the girls to helpless laughter as she donned the dainty headpiece, carefully adjusting the fragile veil; of air raids, and the resultant casualties carried into the hospital—some of them headless, already dead; of the small, every-day occurrences in which they who served shared; of the "tomorrow" which didn't come in time.

Lieutenant Redmond is now stationed at the Army hospital in Lake Land, Florida. Since her return to America, she has assisted in bond sales and with the help of secretaries supplied by the Red Cross, has answered personally the thousands of inquiries from relatives of men and nurses presumably still in the Philippines. She is happiest when on duty because she can get too tired to lie awake remembering the soldiers, the doctors and nurses who were her friends; and because she feels that when she is working, she is speeding the "tomorrow" bringing the help that couldn't reach Bataan when she was serving there.

Open House Sunday For 1200 USO Clubs

More than 1,200 USO clubs and centers in 47 states will be hosts to the general public Sunday on the USO's annual open house day. From 1 to 6 p.m. the public will be invited to inspect the clubs and see USO in action. Examples of art and craft work, photographs and other products of hobby groups executed by service men will be on view.

Transportation by Bicycles Popular

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—Bicycles are becoming a popular method of transportation about Camp Livingston. More and more units are resorting to the two-wheelers to save vital gasoline and rubber. The Internment Camp is the latest to blossom forth with the bikes. They acquired 14 of the machines which have been pooled for the use of officers and men who find it necessary to travel about the area of the camp.



THE ARMY QUIZ

- In putting the size of our armed forces in 1943 at 10,800,000, Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson said this was 8 1/2 per cent of our population. But Germany has an Army, he added, that comprises:
 - 10 per cent of its population
 - 13 1/2 per cent
 - 20 1/4 per cent
 - 22 per cent
- What nations successfully used these tactics against tanks?
 - Planes equipped with Anti-tank cannon?
 - Buried anti-tank guns?
 - Self-propelled artillery?
- How many men has the United States lost in the present war as of the first of the year?
 - 9,714
 - 61,126
 - 173,845
 - 394,671
- How many Negroes are serving in the U. S. Army?

275,000	350,000	450,000
500,000	625,000	
- Servicemen with a written statement from their superior officers may purchase civilian shoes whenever they are needed.

True	False
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- What is the weight of a packed parachute?

7 pounds	14 pounds	21 pounds
28 pounds	35 pounds	
- According to Schickelgruber, Germany has lost but 500,000 men in the war, but according to a recent estimate by an Intelligence section of a United Nations' general staff in London, German casualties amount to:

800,000	2,500,000	4,000,000
5,000,000	7,250,000	
- Adjutant General of the U. S. Army is:
 - Gen. McNair
 - Gen. Gullion
 - Gen. Herr
 - Gen. Ullo
- How did the torpedo get its name?
 - After the Spanish word for "explosion."
 - After a fish which possessed an electrical apparatus.
 - As a deviation from the word "torpid."
- How much monthly bonus do parachutists get?
 - None
 - \$25
 - \$50
 - \$100.

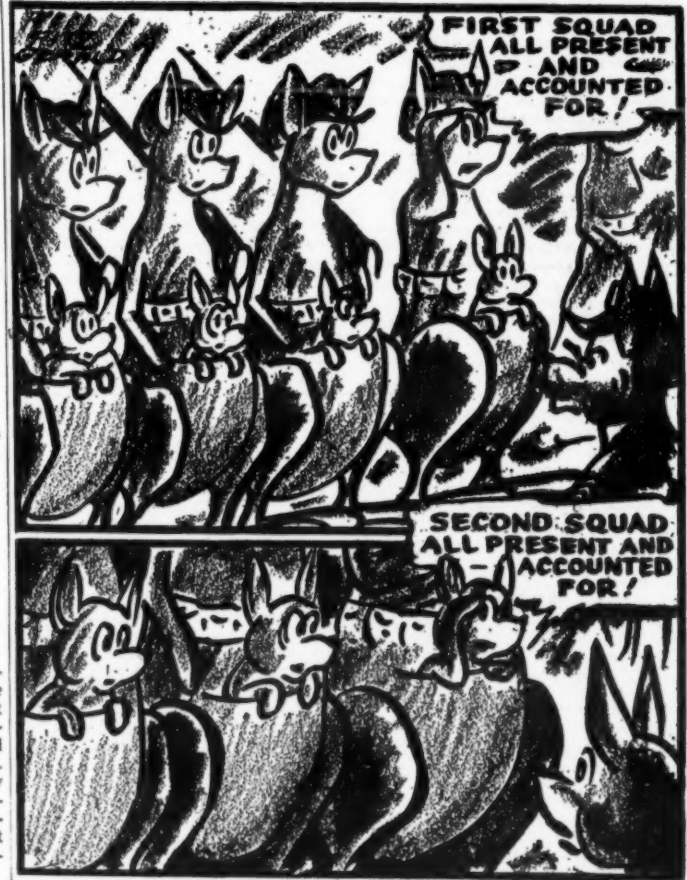
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Only Three Months From Buck to First

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.—Attaining a promotion a month since last November is the record of 1st Sgt. Otis C. Gurley. During December he received his third stripe and appointment as acting first sergeant. This was followed successively by promotions in January to staff sergeant; February to technical sergeant; and this month finds Sergeant Gurley at the top of the non-commissioned ladder.

Aussie

by Cpl Fitzgerald



PAULETTE GODDARD SAYS:

"MY FAVORITE QUICK-UP"

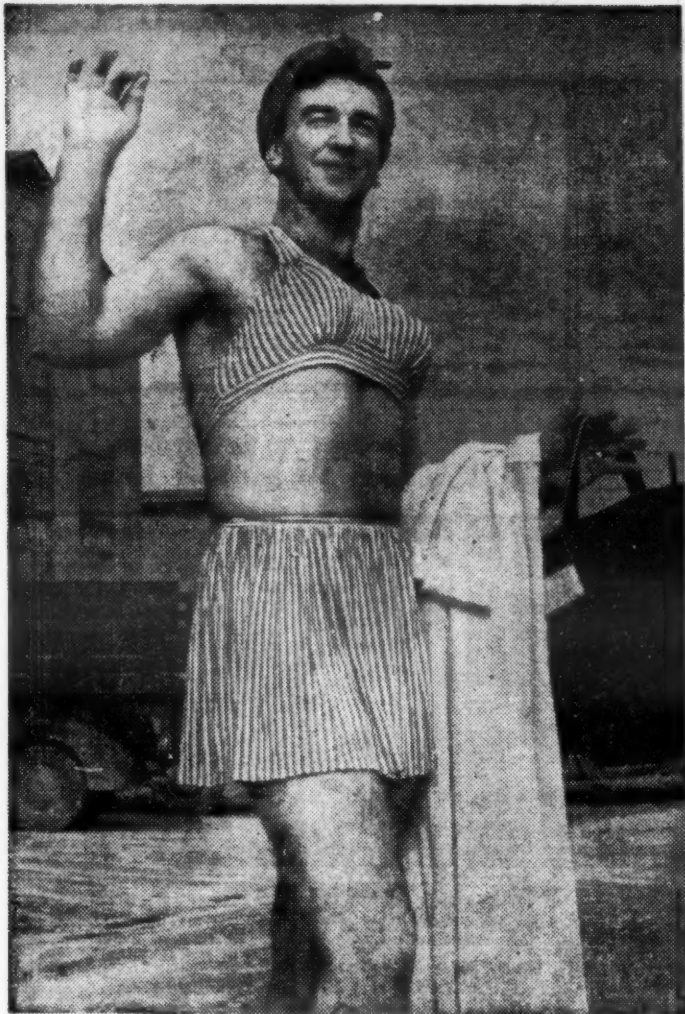
Lovely Paulette Goddard drank leading colas from unlabeled cups and voted Royal Crown Cola the winner! Taste it yourself—see why this cola has won 5 out of 6 certified group taste-tests from coast to coast.

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BUTNER'S MAE WEST
Pvt. W. L. Andy Anderson Models
—Camp Butner Photo

The Bride, Blushing And Winsome, but GI

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—If it's glamour the men want—the Red Cross recreation center at Camp Butner's huge station hospital can furnish it—with the soldier patients themselves furnishing the talent, says Mrs. Vivian Kuyk, Red Cross recreational director.

Ample demonstration of what clothes, high-heels, lip-stick and rouge can do was shown here on the stage of the hospital auditorium when the men staged a "fashion show and screen star wedding."

The bride—as blushing and winsome as the real thing, according to Mrs. Kuyk, wore a snow white gown with the traditional lace veil. "She" carried a corsage of drooping camellias and clung to the arm of the groom, snappily clad in a full dress suit of an early 1890 vintage. Bride and groom, respectively, were Pvt. George Whidby and Pvt. William J. Morgan.

Bridesmaids included Pvt. William Krauss of the 309th Infantry. Private Krauss wore a yellow tulle afternoon frock and carried a corsage of dried laurel. Pvt. Joseph F. Doherty, 78th Division, wore a maroon lace gown which set off "her" titan hair.

The "mothers" of the bride and groom were also on hand. They were buxom matrons—Pvt. John W. Hutchinson, former coal miner, of the 52nd Engineers, and Pvt. Alfred E. Glaum, of the 509th Military Police.

Other models included Pvt. W. L. "Andy" Anderson of the 309th Infantry, Pvt. Rocco Corsi of Albany, of the 509th, and Pvt. Francis R. Gorman.

Pfc. Ralph Burgess served as stage director, while Pfc. Edward Fuller, special service department, served as master of ceremonies.

Furloughs Won't Dent The Family Rations

It is expected that the forthcoming regulations covering the rationing of meat, cheese and fats or oils, and canned fish, will contain provisions for soldiers on furlough, according to OPA, except that the soldier need be on furlough only three days or more to obtain them, receiving eight points for each three days of furlough or fraction thereof. Under Office of Price Administration rationing regulations, soldiers on furlough for seven days or more are entitled to obtain quantities of rationed foods which may be used to supplement the rations of the soldier's family or friends with whom he is spending his furlough, the War Department announced recently.

The soldier may have one-half

pound of sugar and 16 points for processed food for each week or fraction thereof of his furlough. He is also entitled to one pound of coffee for each ration period.

The extra rations may be obtained by the soldier by presenting his furlough papers to the local War Price and Ration Board functioning in the area where he is visiting. The board will write or stamp its designation upon the furlough papers and will then issue certificates in the proper amount for each of the commodities requested by the soldier. The certificates so obtained may be used at all grocery stores in the same fashion as are ration stamps and will be worth the same quantity of food products or the number of points written thereon.

New Proof That Army Fights on Stomach

NEW YORK—The old adage that an army fights on its stomach was given additional support recently by Dr. Charles G. King, scientific director of the Nutrition Foundation, who stated that peak efficiency for fighting men can be reached only after further nutritional research.

Special diets for specialists must be provided King stated. The type of fatigue suffered by an aviator is much different than that suffered by a tank operator and both must

have foods which will eliminate this fatigue.

Changes of temperatures, altitudes and other constantly changing battle conditions make demands on a human body which must be cared for at least in part by specialized diets.

The introduction of dehydrated foods in combat zones has produced another major problem which scientists must now study in terms of proteins, vitamins and the value of vitamin B.

Soldiers Taught Shoot Pencils in Training

FORT KNOX, Ky.—It works like a pea shooter—caliber .45.

You take an unloaded .45 revolver, stick a pencil down the barrel and pull the trigger.

The firing pin strikes the eraser on the pencil, which is knocked out of the barrel. The sharpened end of the pencil strikes the target—only two inches away—and makes a black dot, showing where a bullet would have hit. The "pea shooter" is fired until three dots are formed in triangle fashion. And the smaller the triangle, the better the score.

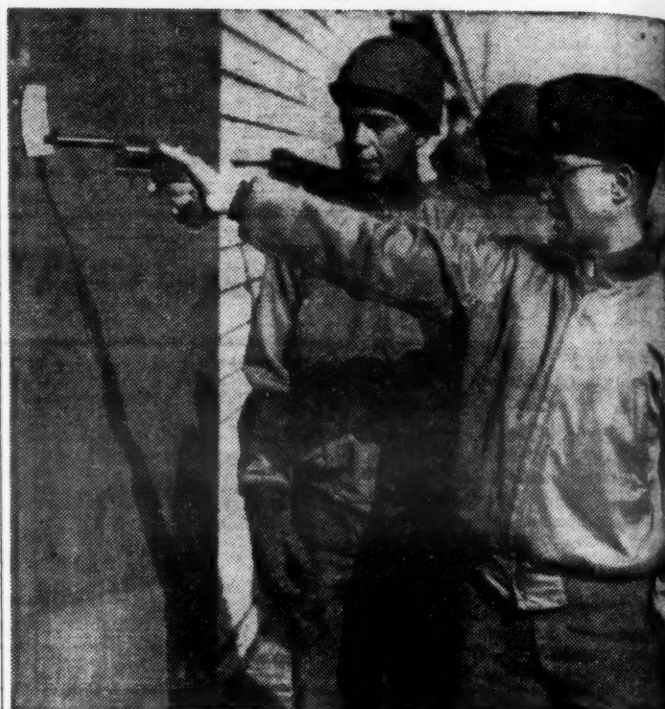
That's one of two new ways armored force replacement training center recruits are being taught to aim .45 revolvers. It's called the two-inch triangulation method and was put into effect on orders by Col. Marcus E. Jones, AFRTC plans and training officer.

The other new way of instructing recruits to aim the .45 employs the use of the revolver sighting stand, unofficially dubbed the Hunt M2 sighting device in honor of its inventor, Capt. William H. Hunt, commander of Co. C, 21st Bn.

It's a simple gadget—made of three or four pieces of wood, a screw or two and a spring.

An upright holds the revolver firmly. The moveable target is on another upright. The trainee stands behind the revolver and sights at the target. A helper moves the target both vertically and horizontally at the trainee's direction. After the target is adjusted a spring holds it in place. The coach then checks to see if the gun is sighted accurately.

The device greatly reduces the



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Major Gravin Demonstrates
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amount of time required by the somewhat cumbersome sighting bar to get a correct sight picture. With the device, the trainee is taught aiming stance, sight picture and rapid sight adjustment, all in one operation.

Know How to Do It

Meat Inspectors Trained

CAMP GRANT, Ill.—Camp Grant's new technical school for Army Air Force meat and dairy inspectors has trained more than 300 men for specialized work as food inspectors at air bases throughout the nation since its opening in December. Col. Oness H. Dixon Jr., station veterinarian and director of the school, announced this week.

The meat and dairy inspectors school is unique in this country in providing men with eight weeks of concentrated work on inspection of all foods of animal origin consumed by soldiers. New classes are admitted following the monthly graduations so that two groups of men are constantly in training.

The students, all privates first class, are carefully selected at Army air bases and must have completed four weeks of basic training and attained suitable marks on the Army general classification test.

The training includes instruction in veterinary hygiene and sanitation, veterinary anatomy, veterinary bacteriology, meat and dairy hygiene, and administration. In addition to

classroom work the men take frequent trips to packing houses, dairies and farms to gain first-hand experience in their work.

Before being assigned to new posts as food inspectors, the men must pass rigid practical and written examinations at the completion of eight weeks of training.

In the practical examination the students examine over 125 specimens of meat cheese and fish, which they are required to identify and classify. In addition to identifying the various meat cuts and types of cured meat, the students must be able to determine if the meat is acceptable for Army use. Eggs and butter must also be examined and classified as fit or unfit for consumption.

Eight officers and 15 enlisted men are assigned as instructors and assistant instructors, respectively, at the school.

The first class, which entered in December, was graduated February 1 and the second class completed its work March 1. The high caliber work of the students is shown by the rankings of the top men in the March graduating class of 137 men. Pfc. Robert W. McNabb and Pfc. Dale E. Welbel were tied for top honors with cumulative scores of 97. The second man in the class, Pfc. Carl E. Lee, had a rating of 94 and three men, Pfc. Courtney C. Brewer, George L. Beaumont and William J. Raverty, were tied for third place with scores of 95.

Ex-Railroaders Still Run Trains at Sam Houston

FORT SAM HOUSTON, Tex.—"Once a railroad man, always a railroad man" is an aphorism that holds true even in the U. S. Army at least for members of a Railway Operating Battalion at Fort Sam Houston. More than 90 per cent of the officers and men of this battalion are former civilian railroad employees who are continuing their occupations in the uniform of the United States Army, carrying out the vital function of moving troops and supplies. Their commander is Lt. Col. R. F. Williams, trainmaster for the Southern Pacific before entering service.

Most of the unit's officers came from the Texas-Louisiana division of the Southern Pacific, but enlisted men of the organization came from railroads, yards and shops all over

the country. Former brakemen, conductors, engineers, firemen, dispatchers, maintenance men and yardmasters are in the ranks.

Their training program is based on actual experience. With a few Southern Pacific civilian workers at their side, the Army railroaders make up trains, switch cars back and forth in the yards, lay tracks, operate the roundhouse and car repair shops and otherwise prepare for taking over, enlarging and completely operating any rail system to which they may be assigned.

ABOUT three-fourths of all sports equipment now being manufactured goes to members of the armed forces and to those receiving pre-industrial training.

AGF: The Week's News of the Army Ground Forces Straight from Headquarters in Washington

HEADQUARTERS, AGF—Placement of enlisted men at training centers where their skills can be utilized to the utmost is provided for by Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, commanding general of the Army Ground Forces, in a memorandum issued this week.

In the case of enlisted men assigned to Army Ground Forces replacement training centers where their particular skills are not required, General McNair's memorandum makes provisions under which the prospective trainees will be classified as immediately available for assignment. This will be done before the men are given a particular type of training at the replacement center to which they are at

first assigned.

The memorandum provides for the transferring of such enlisted men to stations or installations where their skills can be put to use.

Promotion of six officers assigned to Headquarters was announced by General McNair this week. Lt. Col. Walter F. Jennings was promoted to the rank of colonel. Capt. John A. Hanson, Thomas P. Harkins, William W. Naramore, Robert E. Selwyn and Leo J. Smith were promoted to major.

ARMORED FORCE—The Distinguished Service Cross was presented at Fort Knox, Ky., to Mrs. Louise Taylor Harrison, whose husband, Capt. William H. Harrison, com-

mander of an Armored Field Artillery battalion, earned it for heroism in the face of advancing enemy tanks in Tunisia. Definite news that Capt. Harrison is now a prisoner of war. The Italians were received one hour before Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, chief of the Armored Forces, made the award.

Pvt. George Zanfes, 46-year-old native of Greece and a veteran of four major World War campaigns, stationed with an Armored Division at Camp Polk, La.

Col. Charles H. Owens, commanding officer of the 56th Armored Regiment at Camp Campbell, Ky., left that post to take up a new assignment.

SPORTS
CHAT

SANTA MONICA, Calif.—Archie Williams, Negro track star who won the 400-meter championship in the Olympic Games in Berlin in 1936, is now an aviation cadet in the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command detachment at the University of California, Los Angeles, where he is receiving training as a weather officer. Williams still holds the world's record for the 400-meter run; he still keeps in shape, too.

FORT SHERIDAN, Ill.—Recently arrived at the Recruit Reception Center, Fort Sheridan, was Dwight Eddleman, sensational freshman athlete at the University of Illinois. Eddleman scored 969 points in a single basketball season and recently high-jumped 6 feet 6½ inches to set a new meet record for the Illinois Tech relays.

CAMP POLK, La.—"Giant killers" is the label which has been placed upon the 55th Armored Infantry Regiment basketball team. The "giant killers" swept to victory in their own league during the season and then eked out a 28-27 triumph over the Station Complement aggregation to take the camp title; the victory ended a winning streak of 17 games for the Station Complement. Earlier in the season, DeRidder Air Base, boasting an unblemished record of 32 straight victories, went down before the 55th Regiment.

END ARMY FLYING SCHOOL, Okla.—Daily workouts are being held by the Enidairs, post baseball team, which is preparing for participation in the Oklahoma State Service League, which opens May 15. A number of former minor league baseball stars is expected to bolster the Enidair lineup.

COCHRAN FIELD, Ga.—Smyrna Air Base won three individual titles and the team prize in the recent Southeastern Golden Gloves tournament. Other entrants, in what turned out to be almost completely an air forces meet, were Gunter Field, Robins Field, Herbert Smart Airport, Hunter Field, Bainbridge Field, Hendricks Field, Paris Island Marines, Atlanta Ordnance Depot and Camp Wheeler.

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Nine Seminole Indians, Oklahoma lads, are members of the Thunderbird boxing team at Camp Pickett. However, in a recent match with Fort Hancock, the visitors took five of eight bouts from Camp Pickett. Lt. James J. Braddock was referee.

CAMP CALLAN, Calif.—Pvt. Elroy Robinson is another record breaker who's going through his training paces these days. Robinson did pretty well for himself in 1937 when he set world's records for the half-mile, the 800-meter and 1000-yard runs.

MATHER FIELD, Calif.—Mather Field's officers improved their bowling by a couple of hundred pins, but Camp Kohler's sharpshooters were still better and triumphed, 2628-2611. All of the victorious bowlers rolled three-game series over 500.

KEESLER FIELD, Miss.—Long called Keesler's uncrowned basketball champions, 397th Tech. Sc. Sq.'s Morning League quintet recently set a new all-time field scoring record with 103 points in a 103-41 victory over the 306 five. Two members of the record-breaking team scored 57 points between them.

SHEPPARD FIELD, Tex.—Pvt. Donald Budge has been assigned to the 306th Training Group at Sheppard Field. Budge was world's amateur singles tennis champion in 1937 and 1938 and shared the doubles and mixed doubles titles in the same years. He was No. 1 man on the one hour Davis Cup team from 1935 to 1939, and a professional in 1939. Since then, he has been professional singles and doubles champion continuously.

55 Straight
MINTER FIELD, Calif.—Minter Field's hockey record has reached 55 consecutive defeats in the Southern California hockey league. On behalf of the flyers, it must be said that the competition is tough.

Rabbit Chase Peps Up
Waco Physical Training

CATCH of the Waco Army Flying School's first 'rabbit chase' is being displayed here by Lt. Hugh Wolfe (left), physical training officer and originator of the idea, and two GIs.

WACO ARMY FLYING SCHOOL, Tex.—Lt. Hugh Wolfe, former all-America fullback at the University of Texas and now physical training officer at the Waco Army Flying School, gave the Army's vast physical training program a new twist when he added his own innovation, a rabbit chase, to the training routine. Calisthenics and obstacle courses get old to the average GI but there was plenty of excitement when Lieutenant Wolfe gathered together about 300 soldiers and marched them to a nearby thicket. Forming a huge circle, the soldiers probed and shook every bush that looked as though it may house the little rodent and when one would appear, he was immediately set upon and chased until caught by a group of screeching and shouting men.

Results of the initial chase netted 17 rabbits, which were given to the Negro troopers stationed at the field. Lieutenant Wolfe captured one of the rabbits alive.

"No cross-country run can compare with the energy expended by the average soldier when he is in hot pursuit of a frightened rabbit," stated Lieutenant Wolfe, "and besides, it's great sport. All the boys like it."

Probably the greatest advantage of the new feature is the ever-presence of the rabbit, which is bountiful in the central Texas area. Harmful to truck gardening, which is becoming a prime industry because of the war, the furry animal has long been a source of worry to the Texas farmer.

Cannibal Fish Spurred
This Swimming Champ

FORT DIX, N. J.—Most GIs come to camp with just a handbag, but Pvt. Wallace Spence brought a pair of trunks—the swimming kind. He has worn them more than any other article of clothing since he

was four years old, but his accomplishments justify what otherwise may appear to be an idiosyncrasy or something.

Spence holds four world's records which are still on the books: the

50-yard breast stroke, the 50-meter breast stroke, the 100-yard breast stroke and the 150-yard individual medley.

He still holds the national 300-yard medley record and was the only swimmer ever to win all four junior national titles at the same time, in the breast stroke, the back stroke, crawl and medley.

You might think that Spence would be right at home with fish, but he has definite marks to prove that isn't true.

"I was born right in the jungles of British Guiana," Spence tells. "There were four of us brothers and four sisters. All of them became swimmers ever to win all four were still children, I was only four, our father took us down to the jungle river to learn how to swim."

"These rivers were infested by piranha fish, deadly man-eaters. They took good bites out of all of us before we learned how to swim."

Me, I'd rather learn the easy way.

Ex-Major Leaguers
Bolster Sheridan Nine

FORT SHERIDAN, Ill.—Baseball is shortly due to swing into action at Fort Sheridan. Four members of the 1942 nine are expected to return. In addition a number of minor and major league stars are expected to help.

Among them are Ervin Dusak, third baseman and outfielder, for the St. Louis Cardinals and Frank McElyea, 6 foot 4-inch first baseman and base-stealing ace of the Boston Braves.

Ex-Swimming Star
Takes WAAC Training

FORT DES MOINES, Ia.—WAAC Auxiliary Mary-Patricia O'Hara brought her swimming suit to Fort Des Moines when she began basic training there. Her reasons were pretty good.

Mary-Patricia is an international swimming champion. She won the mile swim in the International Regatta at Kelowna, B. C., and was first in the Green Lake Mile swim in Seattle last year.

She won the Pacific Northwest Association championship in the 400-yard free style in 1939 and the 220 in 1940. She set her first record in 1936 when she won the 220 in the Canadian nationals. In 1937, she

captured first place trophy again when she set the Canadian national record in the mile event.

One of her present ambitions is to organize a team of experienced swimmers like herself and enter the national meets under the WAAC banner.

Auxiliary O'Hara held a triple citizenship until the oath of allegiance she took upon entering the WAAC made her an American citizen.

At this time she renounced her British citizenship, hers because of English parentage, and her Canadian citizenship, held during her years of residence in Canada. She is American by birth.

Aviation Cadet Does 851
Situps to Set New Record

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—A new record was set by Aviation Cadet Rynn Berry when he did 851 consecutive sit-ups in the course of a regular physical training test given new cadets upon entrance to this Technical School of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command at Yale.

Berry, a two-time Yale graduate and former No. 2 man on the 1937 squash team, shattered the old mark of 501 consecutive sit-ups. In executing the sit-up, the man lies prone and puts his toes between a set of horizontal bars about six inches off the floor. The man's arms are folded behind his head and the trick is to raise the trunk by the abdominal and leg muscles until it is at right angles with the floor.

The try for the record came about when Cadet Berry was in the Payne Whitney Gymnasium participating in the regulation physical endurance test. He was doing the sit-up portion of the test when a friend chided him about breaking the then standing record of 501. He took up the challenge and kept going until he reached his new mark, 350 above the old record.

Berry lost track of the time it took for him to set the new mark. In fact, he remarks, "I was a little late for drill that day."



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Everything Is
Used But The
Ring Posts

CAMP ROBINSON, Ark.—One of the weirdest boxing matches on record was staged at Camp Robinson. Junior Robinson, a 19-year-old 153-pound boxer from Co. 4, 71st Bn., mixed it with Dave Cortez, 20-year-old 145-pounder from Co. C, 53rd Bn.

Cortez appeared to be a boxer, but as the boys warmed to their work, knock-downs came thick and fast and they were mixed in with a few push-downs, fall-down and just plain stumble-downs.

Once Robinson rushed; Cortez ducked, and Robinson careened across his shoulder for a three-point landing on the ring floor. One of the boxers lost his mouthpiece and both fighters proceeded to stumble on it for a whole round.

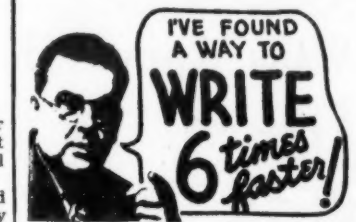
Sometimes the referee got a bit excited and hopped up and down like a man on a pogo stick.

Occasionally one or both men got tangled up in the ropes and once Cortez fell completely out of the ring and had to be helped back.

The match ended, fittingly enough in a draw, the first awarded at Robinson in five months of boxing, but after all, it was only a unique finish to a unique exhibition.

Try, Try Again

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Cpl. Josh Williamson, Camp Pickett's all-around track and field star, recently jumped 6 feet 7 inches in the high jump in the Knights of Columbus track and field meet in New York, but was forced to content himself with second place as Columbia university's Bill Vessie did 6 feet 8 inches.



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FORT BENNING, Ga.—Maj. Marion T. Davidson, chief of the allergy section at the station hospital, objected to plans for putting a composition floor covering on the floor of his clinic on the ground it might cause asthma or hay fever, and then proceeded to prove by science that he was right.

Convincing Col. Edward A. Noyes, commanding officer of the hospital, that it conceivably might have an adverse effect upon his allergy patients, Major Davidson took a piece of the proposed floor covering, cut it up into fine shreds, extracted the protein from it by a formula and then injected the resulting solution into all new patients for a month to see if they reacted. Approximately 10 per cent showed positive reactions.

Allergies are capable of causing soldiers much misery and the Army a great loss of man hours in its training program. Patients are given shots, put on special diets and told what things to avoid. Soon, most of them are back on full duty.

The floor covering which was not placed in the allergy clinic is only one of the many strange items capable of producing in individuals a condition of hypersensitivity which may interfere with or stop com-

pletely their ability to carry on Army activities. Horse hair can produce "the hives," hay can cause hay fever, radishes can start rashes and asparagus can bring on asthma. Duck or chicken feathers, face powder, insect spray or glue can produce most of these conditions.

Hives to Stomach

In addition to hay fever and asthma, the clinic treats soldiers who suffer from urticaria (popularly known as "the hives"), eczema (which includes most skin irritations and rashes), and headaches and stomach upsets which cannot be attributed to causes other than an allergic condition.

With the exception of ragweed and grass pollens, which are obtained from commercial sources, all the average of 80 or 90 extracts used in the tests are made in the laboratory of the allergy clinic.

For convenience's sake, Major Davidson has his 80 or 90 different mixtures divided into four "boards" or groups. Board No. 1 called the "Routine Board" because it consists of items most commonly causing allergic conditions, contains grains like wheat, animal hairs, house dusts, pollens, eggs and milk, along with others. Board No. 2 contains fruits, and Board No. 3 consists of vegetables. Board No. 4 includes condiments such as mustard, pepper and cloves; meats, fish and drinks.

All patients are tested for allergy to each of the items on the four boards. Usually such tests run for three days. Scratch tests are given first. If no reaction is shown, intradermal injections are given after the precautionary scratch tests. All tests are made in neat rows and exact sequence.

After the tests are given, the patient reports to Major Davidson, who glances at the soldier's arm to see which have shown quick reactions. The major then tells the soldier to sit down and "let them cook a little while." A few minutes later, the arm is ready for final inspection. If wheals or welts have risen on the arm, it is an indication that the person is allergic to the particular vegetable, fruit or whatever it may be.

Two Ways to Treat

After the items to which the soldier is allergic is established, treatment is begun. Two ways of treating are available. The patient can stop using or coming into contact with the substances which are to him allergens or he can be desensitized by means of hyperdermic shots taken over a period of time. If a patient is allergic to milk, he is given milk shots, which contain the same extract as used in the tests. Depending upon the degree of sensitivity, he is injected with a small amount of the solution diluted with distilled water. By increasing the amount of extract in the solution in subsequent shots, a gradual resistance to the item is built up in the patient. Thus in all probability he may soon be able to start drinking milk again without bad results.

Although the allergy clinic usually gives around 80 or 90 tests to each patient, they can prepare tests and shots for almost any item or food conceivable and have made solutions from approximately 150 different substances.

An indication of the work done by the clinic here is shown by the fact 1176 treatments were given to 322 patients during the month of January 1943. As high as 94 patients have been treated in one day. Despite the frequency and severity of asthma and other diseases caused by allergic conditions, only 39 certificates of disability discharges and 10 reclassifications were necessary during the clinic's first six months of operation between July 3, 1942 and Jan. 3, 1943. The hundreds of other soldiers treated had their conditions so relieved or cured that they were capable of resuming full field duty.

The exact cause of the hypersensitivity characteristic of allergies is not yet known to science, Major Davidson says. However, things with which a person most often comes in contact generally become allergenic to him. Heredity is suspected as a factor.

Nonetheless, the major points out, people have been conscious of the existence of such a thing as allergy for centuries. An example are certain age-old sayings such as "one man's food is another man's poison," reflecting the fact that some people thrive on certain foods while others, with allergies toward the same vitals, cannot eat them at all without unhappy results.

"Don't Fight on Sunday..."

Rookie Gives Infantry Facts

NEW CUMBERLAND, Pa.—There's nothing much new about modern infantry warfare to this rookie, Pvt. Edwin Wolf, 31, of Serpentine Lane, Wyncote, Pa., although actually he has never lugged a rifle.

Wolf, a research expert in rare and old books, simply goes back into military history as long as four or five hundred years ago and digs up early counterparts of many of the weapons and basic maneuvers employed in today's ground tactics.

Now awaiting his assignment at the New Cumberland Army reception center, he will appear as a guest on this week's all-soldier radio program, "Pennsylvania On Parade," which is broadcast direct from the recreation hall over a state-wide network.

The principles of the hand grenade, booby mine, incendiary bomb, and trench construction are described in a book published in English in 1580 by an Italian named

Tartaglia.

The old work described the original version of a hand grenade as two pottery halves filled with gunpowder and fastened together with a cord which was lighted just before the missile was heaved at the enemy. Today's booby mine originally was a large pot filled with gunpowder to which was attached a long fuse. A soldier hidden in the woods some distance away could ignite the fuse as enemy troops marched over the secreted mine. Incendiary bombs were of similar construction with phosphorus or sulphur used instead of gunpowder.

The oldest military book in his former employer's possession is by a woman, Christine De Pisan, which was printed in 1485 by Caxton, the first English printer, at Westminster. Entitled "Faytes Of Armes" (Fates of Arms), it dealt with contemporary military courtesies in training and

in combat. A typical admonition was "Don't fight on Sunday unless it is absolutely necessary." The book is valued at \$15,000.

Wolf thinks some measure of George Washington's success against the British can be attributed to another book owned by his employer, which familiarized Washington with the latest fighting techniques of English soldiers at that time. The old volume was given the general by a friend in France and recounted contemporary infantry drill regulations.

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FORT SILL, Okla.—Aux. Sara Cox of Atlanta, Ga., was at Fort Sill, Okla., with the 47th WAAC post headquarters company only three days when she distinguished herself by a prompt and efficient action beyond the call of duty. She volunteered for an emergency assignment to become a godmother.

Aux. Cox was visiting Fort Sill's new post chapel just as the baby daughter of Pvt. and Mrs. Frank E. Quinn of Chicago, Ill., was about to be christened by Post Chaplain Andrew T. F. Nowak.

Sgt. Joseph L. Kozik of Plainfield, N. J., also was present and he and Aux. Cox promptly agreed to be the infant's G.I. godparents.

300 WAACs a Week To Attend OCS

FORT DES MOINES, IA.—To meet the urgent need for officers in the rapidly expanding Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, 300 members of the WAAC will be admitted each week to the officer candidate school at the first WAAC training center at Fort Des Moines, Ia., beginning with the week of March 30.

The figure doubles the weekly officer candidate quota to date.

Some Feet

FORT BENNING, Ga.—Pvt. Lewis Walton, Jr., never had a pair of shoes to fit him in all his 23 years he explained to outfitters at the colored reception center. Result a special shoe was made for Private Walton which is nearly as wide as it is long by actual measure. It is size 6-GF. The soldier has six toes on each foot.

Radio Operator Course Was Designed in 1930

When the history of this war is written it is likely that the contribution of many men to victory will be overlooked, merely because their work was done years before the war began. Yet the careful preparation and study made by regular Army radio operators during peacetime is the foundation upon which the development of the Army is undergoing today is based.

Take radio operators and Capt. Reuben Abramowitz of the Signal Corps. Back in 1930 (it was Sergeant Abramowitz then) nobody could foresee the tremendous need for radio operators that the modern airplane,

tank, and speed of maneuver was to bring to warfare.

The big stumbling block for radio operators was the typewriter. In order to take messages at more than 20 words a minute, a typewriter was indispensable. Under the system existing in 1930, it required approximately 100 hours of instruction to teach a man to touch-type, and only after he had finished the typing course was he trained to coordinate code and typing.

Abramowitz believed that he could combine the two courses into one, using 100 hours to teach both subjects simultaneously. The theory was tried out and has proven itself by application.

By the old method of instruction, a man learned, for instance, that the tone sound "dah-dit-dah" was the letter "K." Accordingly he would write the letter "K." In the Fort Monmouth system the sound "dah-dit-dah" means to the newcomer not only the letter "K" but also the middle finger of the right hand struck in the "home key" position on the typewriter.

In the present system of teaching at the code and traffic section, enlisted men's department of the eastern Signal Corps school, code is fed through headphones in what is known as "Z" groups. For instance, the "Z 1" group consists of the letters F, G, H, J, M, R, U. To those familiar with touch typing it is evident that this particular group trains the index fingers of both hands.

The "Z 2" group carries it on a little further and uses the index and middle fingers of both hands—B, D, K, N, T, V, Y. These exercises progress until all fingers come into use in the remaining three "Z" groups.

After a man's sending speed has increased to 10 words per minute, he is trained in the use of the automatic high-speed key or "bug." As the instruction progresses the student also is taught to read code by blinker light, to read code from stylus characters on high-speed tape, perforator operation, teletype, page-printer, procedure in handling traffic, and actual circuit operation. By the time the student has completed the 17 weeks' course, he is a thoroughly trained operator, ready to take his place at the operating desk of a high-powered "fixed" station or to man a small field unit.

At 24, just-promoted Lt. Col. George E. Pickett, Signal Officer of a division in North Africa, is the Signal Corps' youngest wearer of the silver leaf. Col. Pickett is also believed to be the youngest lieutenant-colonel in the Army Service Forces.

Colonel Pickett received his lieutenant-colonelcy while on combat duty. He has been in North Africa since the early days of the occupation, serving in the same position.

Colonel Pickett was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1939, and became a first lieutenant Sept. 9, 1940. He was given his captaincy Feb. 1, 1942, and received his majority Dec. 1, 1942.

Pickett at 24 Made Colonel

Inspection, long a cheerfully accepted part of things military, had two strikes called against it recently when it threw a temporary monkey wrench into the plans of newly arrived WAAC's to attend a dance in their honor at the Replacement Center Cadre Club.

The girls, it seems, were scheduled to be on hand for the affair at 8 p.m. but made their engagement only after 9 o'clock had come and gone. Investigation revealed that the female-army contingent was involved in floor scrubbing, button polishing, shoe shining, sweeping and sundry other "musings" for next day's inspection.

The lady-soldiers, however, finally made the grade, tore off three hours' fancy rug-cutting, and departed with everybody happy.

Replacement Center cooks have been blushing to their ears the last few days under the bushel of comments from "Aunt Susan," cooking expert for radio station WKY, Oklahoma City, who waxed more than enthusiastic in a crowded one-way inspection of Army kitchen methods.

Said Aunt Susan, whose real name is Mrs. Art Adams: "I feel like joining the Army. I never imagined army cooks took such pains in handling large quantities of food. The two meals I ate were perfectly seasoned, appetizingly prepared, wholesome and well-balanced."

The connoisseur of the air waves expressed particular admiration for the abilities of Sgt. J. R. Osenton, instructor at the Replacement Center's Cooks' School, who served as chef at several famous hotels throughout the United States after mastering his art in France.

Red leather gloves were being hung about with reckless abandon in the Replacement Center this week as a 25-man squad of soldier boxers made ready for the war—the wars in this case being the Oklahoma state A.A.U. boxing tournament, to be held at Fort Sill March 29 through April 1. Intensive roadwork, capped by spirited sessions with the big gloves, was the order of the day for the title aspirants.

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Although he admits the non-descript rhymes and is strictly apologetic, "Poppa" threatens to slug the guy who calls him anything but "Poppa."

Fort Sillables

By Sgt. W. Gerard Lyons

FARC, FORT SILL, Okla.—Named by Gen. John Pershing as "the outstanding soldier of 1917-18," Maj. Samuel Woodfill lived up to his reputation this week as he topped off a series of lectures to Replacement Center trainees with a demonstration of marksmanship calculated to accentuate the value of small arms proficiency to the modern soldier.

The World War I hero, who racked up a death toll of 19 Germans in one of the bloodiest single-handed campaigns of the last war, told the embryo soldiers that "confidence in yourself and your weapon is one of the prime requisites of a real soldier."

"Today's war," he said, "is no longer fought in the front lines—it is scattered all over the combat area. We should not forget that small arms are the most deadly weapons—shots with small arms are aimed shots, meant to kill."

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He Has Dependents —Lots of 'Em

NASHVILLE ARMY AIR CENTER, Tenn.—Tactical officers have many and varied problems to solve but Lt. Woodrow Llewellyn claims the record with this stumper. The first sergeant announced that a cadet wanted to see him on a personal matter. The cadet entered and said, "Sir, I'm filling out my income tax blank and I need help. I have 23 dogs, 16 cats, 11 canaries and two owls that I keep as pets. Can I claim dependency allowances for them?"

Love Delayed

CASPER, Wyo.—This actually happened to a lieutenant stationed at the Army Air Base.

"Leaving New York today by train for Casper. Make arrangements for our wedding," she wired her waiting fiancé.

"Will arrive in Casper Saturday for wedding. Can hardly wait," came a wire from Pittsburgh.

"Will have to postpone wedding. I've just enlisted in the WAVES," came a third wire from Chicago.



CAUSE of the renewed interest in television—at least, that's what the publicity blurb says—is Maxine Gray, radio vocalist. But the radio men say television will have to wait until either the war is won, so let's hurry up and get it won.

Tropical Diseases May Move North When Troops Return, Medic Warns

NEW YORK—Tropical diseases may move north and become a danger to the people of the temperate climates, Col. Thomas T. Mackie, of the Army Medical College, believes. Speaking at the National Conference on Planning for War and Postwar Medical Services, Colonel Mackie said that the present war is unlike any in history in the enormous potential hazard of disease to which populations may and probably will become exposed. The peak of the hazard will come after the war as armies that have become reservoirs of disease return home and as masses of people in oppressed and disease-ridden countries emigrate.

Tropical diseases do not stay in

the tropics because of the climate, he explained. Malaria can and does occur in such far northern regions as Canada and the British Isles. Even such strictly tropical diseases as filariasis, popularly known as elephantiasis, has existed near Charleston, S. C. These diseases can be spread wherever mosquitoes, ticks or other insects that carry the germs exist, and many kinds of insects capable of carrying tropical disease germs are widely prevalent all over the world. Other kinds, never before known to carry these germs, may acquire that ability, Colonel Mackie pointed out. Constant air transport between widely separated theaters of war

may accidentally spread widely both the disease-infected persons and the mosquitoes or other person carriers of the disease.

Meanwhile, Prof. Henry E. Meleney, of New York University College of Medicine, warned that the Japs may introduce malaria mosquitoes into the areas our troops will occupy and which are now free of malaria.

Not all the territory in the Pacific theater is malarial. The Pacific isles which are mandated to Japan after the last war all entirely free from malaria mosquitoes. It is possible, Professor Meleney pointed out, that these mosquitoes may be deliberately brought into the islands by the Japs as they leave. The Japs have been accused of similar tactics in the past, specifically of dropping plague-infected rat fleas into China.

Advanced Specialized Training Courses Begin April 5

First enlisted men to enter the Army's advanced and basic training courses, in cooperation with American colleges and universities, will report to 11 universities to start engineering courses April 5.

Contracts for the instruction have been completed with the following 11 schools: New York University, Rutgers University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Michigan, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, George Technical Institute, Purdue University, West Virginia University, University of Minnesota, Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College, and Oregon State.

More than 200 colleges and universities have been approved for use in the program. Contracts are in course of completion.

Quiz Answers

(See QUIZ, Page 11)

1. B. 13 1/2 per cent.
2. A. Russians at Stormovik
3. The Office of War Information says that as of Jan. 6, 1943, the total casualties of the United States in the Current war are 61,126.
4. 450,000
5. True
6. 21 pounds
7. 4,000,000. The estimate was made from insurance statistics smuggled out of Germany.
8. Gen. Ullo
9. B. After a fish with an electrical apparatus.
10. B. \$50. The reason for this is that parachute jumpers perform what is considered one of the most hazardous jobs in the Army.

Meanwhile the testing of all enlisted men in the Army who have scored 110 or better in the Army General Classification Test is under way. The test for specialized training is a refined measure of the soldier's ability to perform work at the college level. Enlisted men in basic training are given the test in their ninth week.

First students to report in April, probably about 4,000, will take the advanced basic courses in engineering subjects. Selections are made thru selection or screening boards which are being set up in most camps. Travelling boards will cover the other camps. The boards are made up of classification experts.

Information regarding the entire program is being furnished through the service commands to all camps. Enlisted men who wish to obtain further information should apply to their commanding officers.

Further details will be published in the April 6 issue of ARMY TIMES.

Wounded, Dies as His Bombs Released

LONDON, England—Another American hero, a bombardier in a Flying Fortress, showed his stuff in a raid on the Bremen area in Germany last week. The Fortress had just reached its target and its bombs were about to be released when a bit of anti-aircraft shell found him. Notwithstanding the fact that he was badly wounded he made an effort, reached his bomb levers, and released the bombs, and then tumbled back, dead.

His name cannot be released until his folks back in United States are notified that he was a casualty.

Just Reduce The Range!

Major Generals Limited To 2 Rounds Per Sniper

Because Maj. Gen. J. L. Collins failed in the wild west tradition of getting his man, a Japanese sniper, with the first shot it has resulted in

Japanese-Americans Want in U. S. Army

Since authorization for the formation of an Army combat team composed of American citizens of Japanese ancestry, more than 1,000 volunteer applications to join the unit have been received in the 10 relocation centers in the continental United States, the War Department announced.

Quotas for the unit are being allocated between volunteer inductees from the continental United States and Hawaii, as well as Americans of Japanese extraction who are already in the Army.

Nurse First Woman Receive Air Medal

BOWMAN FIELD, Ky.—The first Air Medal awarded to a woman was presented to 2nd Lt. Elsie S. Ott, Army Nurse Corps, assigned to the Army Air Forces, Friday for her service as nurse to five seriously ill officers and enlisted men brought by airplane from India to Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C.

The medal was presented by Brig. Gen. Fred S. Borum, commanding general, Troop Carrier Command, on behalf of Gen. Henry H. Arnold, commanding general, Army Air Forces.

a bit of unofficial correspondence for Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, commanding Army forces in the South Pacific.

Horried at the marksmanship which required eight shots for one sniper Brig. Gen. Allison J. Barnett issued a memorandum calling attention to the excessive expenditure of ammunition.

"It has come to the attention of this headquarters that one of your commanders, Maj. Gen. Joseph L. Collins, personally expended 8 rounds of 30 calibre ammunition for a net return of only one Jap sniper," the memo stated.

"In the future it is desired that major generals of your command be limited to 2 rounds per mission—one sighting-shot and one shot for record. Any difficulty encountered in

complying will be overcome by reducing the range."

General Collins in replying to the memo admitted old age, failing eyesight and buck fever but added that his eight shots had removed in order a trigger finger, a cartridge belt, an eyebrow, some dirt, a chunk of coral, a big toe and an ear with the pay-off shot "plunking him squarely between the eyes."

Further investigation of his victim by the general was interrupted by a burst of Jap machine gun fire. "When I came to, I found that I had lowered the level of the fox hole I was in by a full seven feet," General Collins reported.

The explanation was considered unsatisfactory and the order stands—only two rounds per mission for major generals.

Judges Make First Song Selections

Tin Pan Alley has joined the Army!

That's the impression you get here at ARMY TIMES, where several hundred songs are being tried out and judged for their musical qualities and appeal. Those with outstanding merit will be submitted to the Music Section, Special Service Division, and to leading song publishers.

The songs are still coming in—nearly 100 more during the past week—in response to the invitation from ARMY TIMES to Army songwriters to submit their compositions.

Details of the plan were published in the February 6 and 27 issues. A partial list of song titles and authors was published in the March 20 issue.

Thirty songs have already been scored and selected by the judges as having outstanding merit. The list follows:

"Yank Doodle Rides Again," words and music by Pvt. Artie Joe Sutton, Fort Riley, Kansas. Private Sutton wishes the proceeds to go to Army Emergency Relief.

"G — I Love You," words by Col. Phil Alexander, music by Cpl. B. C. Dunford, Jr., Camp Polk, La. The song and three others (all excellent) were written for the "Lucky 7th" Armored Division's musicomedy entitled "Off Limits."

"All This Is New," by Pvt. Bennie Contra, Camp Blanding, Fla. He also submitted four songs, all judged excellent.

"I'll Be Home Again," words by Pvt. J. Macaluso (Johnny Rogers), music by Sgt. Walter Turner, Fort Meade, Md. Macaluso was formerly with Stations WINS.

"Lazy Lullaby," by Cpl. Louis A. Duhig, Camp Gordon Johnson, Fla. The song pictures the Louisiana country in which he was stationed.

"I Left My Heart Among the Pines," by Pvt. Charles D. McKee, Zephyrhills, Fla. He also sent in another good one titled "You've Got My Heart Out on a Limb."

"There'll Be Khaki in Yokisaki," by Benny Ray Licht, formerly of Camp Davis, N. Car., recently discharged for disability, now in Cleveland, Ohio.

"Hail To The Yanks," words by Mrs. Grace Johnson, music by former Cpl. T. H. Kilbourne, recently discharged, Burlingame, Calif. Mrs. Johnson is the mother of Sgt. Alwin Johnson, Camp Kohler, Calif.

"Dreaming, Hoping, Praying," words by Ed. Shelburne, Lexington, Ky., music by Pfc. Ralph D. Goodwin, Camp Campbell, Ky.

"There Are Times," by Pfc. Charles DeStefano, Army Air Base, Albuquerque, N. Mex.

"I'm Blue, Lonesome and Moody," by CWO. James B. Rounds, Jr., Camp Pickett, Va. Also "Buy Bonds America."

"Keep Looking Up," by Cpl. Edie Morgan, Camp Blanding, Fla. Also "Your U. S. A. and Mine."

"Blue Eyed Angel," words by Pfc. Howard Blaine, Fort Warren, Wyo., music by Al Neuberger, Los Angeles, Calif. Also "Ranch in the Rockies."

"I Tip My Heart," words by Cpl. Morton Parnes, Camp Pickett, Va., music by Charles Coleman, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"We're Gonna Save the Union," by Pfc. Bernard Goldman, Camp Hulen, Texas. Also "Fall In" and "The Ack-Ack Song."

"Never Thought I'd Ever Dared," by Sgt. Henry L. Griese, Champaign, Ill. Also "Closer Since We're Apart."

"I Ain't Talking," words and music by Sgt. Chet Howard and Pfc. Sam Perna, Fort Benning, Ga.

"The Army Cadence Song," by Cpl. Karl McGuire, Camp Grant, Ill. Also "Lullaby For a Soldier."

"We've Just Begun To Fight," words by Pvt. Nathan Smulian, Fort Hancock, N. J. Music was written by his brother, recently discharged for disability.

"Harlem's In The Army," by Pfc. Morris Sol Berger, Fort Hamilton, N. Y.

"Thanks For Buying That Bond," by Pvt. Rocky Ciro, Fort Monroe, Va.

"When The World Is Free Again," by Pvt. Jimmie Busler and Pfc. William Thrader, Atlantic City, N. J. List of the titles and authors of songs submitted since March 20 will be published in the April 6 issue of ARMY TIMES.

GI Food Agrees With This Soldier

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Don't try to tell Pfc. Forest L. Rogers, 23, that Army food isn't good for a man. He himself is proof that it is.

Rogers gained 42 pounds in six months—while he was cook in the mess hall of Company B of the 800th Signal Training Regiment.

"I'd just eat what I wanted, was all," he explains. "I ate the best stuff I could find. I drank lots of milk."

At induction last April 1 he weighed 179 pounds. Last Dec. 14 he weighed 221. That day he went on furlough and started losing weight. He since has dwindled to a mere 205.



"Unnerstand, I want just as much respect around here as if I was still foist sergeant!"

—Bill Maudlin, Camp Pickett, Va.